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PLUNDERERS

Council WILL raid reserves to solve £1.8m debt crisis

COUNCIL chiefs are planning to disregard the wishes of councillors and plough ahead with a raid on the authority's cash reserves to plug its budget deficit.

The revelation comes as senior officers were accused on Tuesday of hoodwinking councillors into partially selling off Parndon Wood Cemetery and Crematorium.

The *Star* has spoken to a number of councillors who were present at a behind-closed-doors briefing to discuss the authority's £1.8m financial black hole.

Although many were not willing to go on record, it is understood from sources across the political divide that senior officers still plan to overcome the Civic Centre's huge overspend by plundering emergency funds – even though in

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December councillors insisted savings must first be found from departmental running costs.

The meeting – from which members of the press and public were excluded – included a presentation to councillors by chief executive Malcolm Morley on how the problems had developed.

He sought to clarify the meaning of the council's medium-term financial strategy, claiming its direction that reserves should not be used to support the budget was less clear-cut than previously suggested.

But when questioned over progress in cutting costs, the *Star* understands he was forced to admit that little or no savings had yet been found.

One senior administration councillor

said this week: "The briefing wasn't very convincing. It was managerial spin by the chief executive designed to excuse himself and his directors.

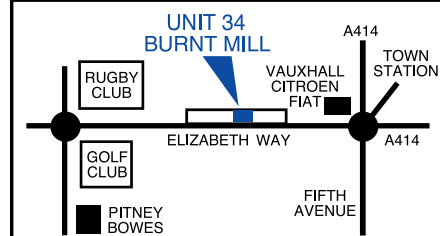
"Malcolm receives a high salary for managing things day-to-day in the Civic Centre so it's not unreasonable to expect him to have been monitoring things more closely.

"He always pushes his way to the front of photo opportunities when there's a good news story so it's time he started accepting his share of responsibility when things go wrong."

Independent councillor John Paul Goddard, who claimed he had received a verbal rebuke from Mr Morley after questioning figures, said: "I find it unbelievable that, even though councillors have demanded it, the senior officers have been

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Tree-sy does it!

HARLOW'S latest piece of public art, a 10ft stainless steel sculpture entitled *Tree Of Life*, is gently lowered into place in the courtyard at the Addison House Health Centre by crane. **FULL STORY – page 4**

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Residents win review on pet zoo relocation

RESIDENTS opposed to plans to move Pets Corner to fields near their homes appeared this week to have won their fight.

In a surprise climbdown, Harlow Council environment and community committee vice-chairman Bob Davis told campaigners that plans to move the popular facility into Altham Grove would be reviewed.

The development at Tuesday's committee meeting followed the presentation of a 1,058-signature petition objecting to the proposals on the basis of loss of green space, additional traffic and hygiene concerns.

Responding to the petition, Mr Davis (Labour) told the meeting: "The Green Space Working Party will be recommending to the next meeting of this committee on February 19 that the Town Park Masterplan is reviewed and that a new location for Pets Corner is identified.

John Curry, of Harlow Civic Society, said he was delighted with the result: "We've always said Pets Corner should stay where it is and, if the council wishes to expand it, there is plenty of scope for doing so to the south."

Power cable fall disrupts trains

BAD weather on Tuesday disrupted commuters when power lines came down near Harlow Town Station during the morning rush hour.

Rail services ground to a halt at 8.30am after a tree fell on to cables, closing the line for almost two hours.

Crematorium sell-off 'is privatising death'



SENIOR Harlow Council officers have been accused of hoodwinking councillors into agreeing a partial sell-off of Parndon Wood Cemetery and Crematorium.

Members of the council's environment and community committee agreed on Tuesday to seek a private operator to buy its way into a partnership to run the 48-year-old public service.

Head of regulation Graeme Bloomer claimed the facility needed at least £600,000 of investment to remain viable for the future. He also claimed population growth might create problems requiring private sector finance.

During the two-minute presentation, several crematorium workers in the public gallery became agitated and started heckling, claiming members were being given "anomalous and misleading" information by Mr Bloomer.

And voicing her concerns, Jean Clark (Labour) said: "I find it immensely distasteful we are talking about the privatisation of death. It says nothing in this report that gives a real case or justification to the sale in real or financial terms."

She called for a deferment for proper consulta-

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tion, a request immediately quashed by committee guest and Labour joint council leader Tony Durcan, who added: "To defer it would be wrong - this has been on the table for 16 months and we need to be brave and move forward tonight."

The proposal was agreed by six votes to one with only Mrs Clark rejecting it. Councillors also requested the public be consulted.

Afterwards, Unison branch secretary and crematorium worker Martin Stedman said: "I find it astounding our councillors can come to a decision about Harlow when they have not got any real information.

"It only needs a small proportion of the money it creates to keep it. The council has now got rid of all services which make any money."

Mr Stedman revealed none of the council's own crematorium experts had been consulted on the financial and equipment needs for the facility.

He added: "There has been under-investment for years and questionable management. I don't think the people of Harlow will be convinced."

The council has highlighted three potential investors from preliminary research given the go-ahead in October 2006.

Call for top officer to go

A FURIOUS Harlow councillor has called on a senior officer to resign in the wake of a catalogue of high-profile controversies.

Former Conservative John Paul Goddard, now an independent, said community services chief Lynn Seward should quit.

Mr Goddard was reacting to the resignation of Playhouse manager Phil Dale, the proposed relocation of Pets' Corner, the upcoming partial privatisation of Parndon Wood crematorium and cemetery and the closure of Harlow Pool.

He told the *Star*: "I am calling for the resignation of Lynn Seward with immediate effect. I believe her own sense of honour should have brought her to this same conclusion and she must now go in order to preserve

some credibility and dignity for the authority."

Mr Goddard expressed concern about the future of The Playhouse and added: "We need to recognise those that are truly responsible for this debacle and who have faced no disciplinary action or been subject to suspension or investigation themselves."

Last summer, Mr Dale was suspended on full pay for six weeks after being accused by senior council officers of misuse of expenses. Following a lengthy investigation and a cost of at least £7,000 to the taxpayer for outside help, all accusations were dropped and Mr Dale returned to work.

The *Star* invited the council to comment but it declined to do so.

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unable to find a single penny worth of savings."

Conservative group leader Tony Hall agreed the debate about using reserves was animated: "The upshot was that we're going to have to use reserves and whether or not that complies with policy depends on how you interpret it."

Joint leaders Tony Durcan and Chris Millington insisted the atmosphere at the meeting was moderate and it was "about open and honest government".

Mr Durcan said: "It was a very useful briefing which gave councillors the opportunity to ask questions and find out more about the budget situation."

Mr Millington added: "The council faces similar financial pressures to that of many other councils up and down the country."

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Health centre sculpture will lift the spirits

A STRIKING new piece of modern art has provided the finishing touch to Harlow's Addison House Health Centre.

Tree Of Life was hoisted in to place at the centre next to Princess Alexandra Hospital on Saturday.

The 10ft-tall stainless steel sculpture, which cost Harlow Health Centres Trust £12,000, is the work of Gloucester artist Simon Packard. It stands on a plinth in the courtyard.

Addison House, which is home to a GP surgery, dental practice, cancer unit, sexual health services and staff accommodation, was built in 2000 and officially opened by former Health Secretary Alan Milburn.

Trust chairman Martin Lawn said he was delighted with the sculpture and insisted the impact it would have on the atmosphere of the centre was well worth the cost.

"The enjoyment which we are sure will be experienced by those who work and visit Addison House will most certainly make them feel better which is an important part of being healthy," he said.

EASY DOES IT: Artist Simon Packard oversees the operation to lower his sculpture into place (photo: S4JYQPLB/01)

Road repairs 'going to pot'

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POTHoles in Essex roads will have to be twice as deep before they are repaired, it surfaced this week.

But the proposal has caused an un-hole-y political row at Conservative-led County Hall where opposition councillors claim it will cause more accidents.

"Doubling of the pothole depth is simply not acceptable," said Labour's highways spokesman Paul Sztumpf, who represents the Harlow North division on the county council.

"The Tories intend to implement these changes on April Fools' Day but it's no laughing matter for the Essex public."

Liberal Democrat spokesman Keith Francis added: "The report outlining changes to the way potholes and other damage to roads and footpaths are to be dealt with is riddled with inconsistencies and it's hard to see how it will be of benefit to residents.

Pothole Patrol

Pothole Patrol returns to Second Avenue in Harlow for a second time after a reader nominated two holes which appear to be a lot deeper than the 2inch benchmark set for emergency repairs. The craters are located on the stretch of road from Church Langley to Howard Way.

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inches (2.5cm to 5cm).

It forms part of a maintenance strategy plan which is due to be thrashed out by members of the highways and transportation policy development group today (Thursday).

Norman Hume, cabinet member for highways and transportation, said the change would bring Essex into line with other authorities such as Kent where only potholes which risk endangering highway users are identified for urgent repair within two hours or by the end of the following working day.

"Potholes not requiring urgent repair will be identified and prioritised for repair during routine maintenance," he said. "I anticipate this will allow us to meet the expectations of road users in Essex to an even greater extent than we are already doing."

The plans come just weeks after the Conservatives announced a £10m overspend on the highways budget. However, a party spokesman stressed the group had invested £45m of additional council tax in road improvements and cited a MORI poll which found Essex had some of the best maintained roads in the country.

"The basic premise seems to be to wait until damage to road surfaces gets worse before even looking to see whether it should be fixed or not."

The proposal is to increase the benchmark at which potholes are deemed hazardous from one to two

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Couple in court on brothels rap

A TAXI driver and his wife appeared in court on Tuesday accused of running three brothels in Essex and Suffolk,

Anthony Pryor (59), of The Plain, Epping, and his Chinese-born wife Qing Hua (37) face three joint charges of keeping a brothel for the use of prostitution. They deny the allegations.

The jury at Chelmsford Crown Court heard police had been keeping watch on three premises – in Sudbury, Braintree and Ipswich – for some time.

“Sometimes there was little activity but on other occasions it was rather like Piccadilly Circus with up to 10 male callers coming and going during the day,” said prosecutor Stephanie Farrimond.

“When police carried out co-ordinated raids on the three establishments they found them to be sparsely furnished save for large quantities of condoms and cash.”

The court was told Pryor had placed adverts in local newspapers for personal services which included “Far Eastern massage” and “Chinese remedies”.

But when undercover officers called up they were offered various sexual services including “full pleasure” for £60 or sex without a condom for £80.

Miss Farrimond said that five young women found in the Braintree and Ipswich premises were all illegal immigrants. They were released on police bail but all subsequently disappeared.

The court heard that Pryor's tax return for the financial year ending 2006 declared a profit of £3,519 from receipts of £21,279 as a taxi driver, while his wife declared herself to be a housewife. But during the course of the year just under £100,000 had gone into their bank accounts.

The case continues.

Campaign a cause for alarm



SAFETY FIRST:

Pictured, *left to right*, are Harlow firefighters Paul Rogers, Gary Smith, Jason Whitbread and Trevor Fuller (photo: LHYHNBXN/03)

FIREFIGHTERS in Harlow are urging residents to check their smoke alarms every week as part of a countywide campaign to save lives.

The Pull Your Finger Out initiative was launched this week to highlight the importance of having a working detector after statistics revealed that a large number of people who own smoke alarms do not check they are functioning. Harlow station commander Matt Hughes said: “Despite the fact a high number of people own a smoke alarm, a disturbing number do not

maintain their alarms on a weekly basis.

“The message is simple: smoke alarms save lives, but only if they work! We’re urging everyone to pull their fingers out and test their smoke alarms – this simple action could save the lives of their loved ones.”

● A DROP in the number of fire deaths in Essex has been attributed to a focus on education and distribution of smoke alarms.

Last year four people died in blazes in the county compared to the nine deaths in 2006.

Harlow's name for fame



AMERICAN socialite Nicole Richie, *pictured left*, could be swapping Hollywood for Parndon Wood if she accepts an invitation to visit Harlow after it emerged her newborn baby shares her name with the town.

Harlow Council chairwoman Lorna Spenceley extended an open invitation via her website blog to the “it” girl – the adopted daughter of soul superstar Lionel Richie – after hearing news of the tot's birth on Sunday morning from a news agency.

Tongue firmly in cheek, she said: “It's good to know Harlow is now right up there with Brooklyn and Phoenix as places after which celebrities want to name their children!”

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Hammer attack victim left with head wound

A MAN needed hospital treatment after intruders broke into his home and attacked him with a claw hammer in front of his girlfriend and her child.

The victim was left with a gash to his head which needed seven stitches after two men forced their way into his house in The Downs, Harlow.

He fought off his assailants and briefly gave chase when they fled but gave up when he lost sight of them.

Police are working on the possibility the man could have been a victim of mistaken identity.

Detective Constable Angie Mitchell, who is leading the investigation, said: “I would like to hear from anybody who was in the area so they can help us with

the investigation.”

The attack happened shortly before 9pm last Monday.

One of the men is described as white, about 35-40, stocky and about 1.75m (5ft 9ins) tall and was wearing black trousers, a black jacket and a black woolly hat. His accomplice is 30-35, of similar height and also dressed all in black with a black woolly hat.

Anybody with information should call Ms Mitchell on (01279) 625412.

The man is the latest person to have been injured after being attacked in Harlow in recent weeks. Two teenagers were beaten with a metal pole last Sunday and a man was struck with a hammer in December.



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Good luck, Phil, you'll be much missed.

Bridget McAlpine
Vicarage Wood, Harlow

SIR, As an usher who works at The Playhouse, I am writing to say what

a pleasure and honour it has been to work with Phil Dale over the past few years.

His presence on the stage, his devotion to the children he coaches and their respect for him all brought out the best in everyone. We shall carry on but the heart of the theatre will be gone.

Muriel Lee
Rectory Wood, Harlow

Consequences of EU interference

SIR, Bill Rammell is the only person from our constituency who will be able to speak and vote shortly in a House of Commons debate on a vitally important matter affecting every British subject.

Because he represents the interests of all voters in the Harlow constituency, I believe he has a duty to advise us up front where he stands on the subject of the EU reform or Lisbon Treaty.

For the past 30 years politicians of all parties have deliberately, unintentionally or by default allowed the sovereignty of Britain to be handed over piecemeal to a group of unelected, unelected commissioners in Brussels without reference to their voters. Perhaps they forgot that, under the terms of the British constitution, Britain is owned by its people; politicians are only elected for, at most, a five-year term to enact policies put to the people in an election manifesto.

Consequently, Britain is no longer the sovereign, democratic state it once was. We are told, or rather find out by default, that 80 per cent of our laws have been made by the EU. Those 1,000 new measures or directives shower into Britain each year creating so much volume in Parliament that most are simply rubber stamped without debate into British law or, worse still, gold-plated. Frankly, Mr Rammell, that is not what we have asked you or your colleagues to do.

We find we are increasingly regulated by unelected quangos we did not ask for, want or need. These bypass the time-tested establishments we trust and laws honed by centuries of hard experience. Our borders leak so badly

we now need to build three million new homes to house the migrants we are told have more rights than we have.

There is so much more to say but space prohibits. Let me simply state all parties made a manifesto promise at the last general election to give a referendum vote to the British people on the subject of the Lisbon Treaty. Gordon Brown is now refusing to honour that promise even though his stated 'red line' comfort clauses have been disregarded by the House of Commons Scrutiny Committee as having little worth.

During the debate in the Commons this next few weeks Mr Rammell will be asked to support his party leader despite knowing that a TNS Europe-wide poll reported 75 per cent of the people polled in 27 countries want a referendum vote. In Britain the figure was 83 per cent.

Mr Rammell has one advantage his constituents do not have. He must know why it is going to be so much better for our lives and the future lives of our grandchildren in Britain when the Government has given away the final authorities for the British people to run their own country and constituency affairs.

Please, Mr Rammell, tell us why our lives will be so much better when we are just one small part of the EU Federal State of Europe rather than an independent democratic state.

Alan Pond
Grange Lane, Roydon

Bobbies on bikes are a rare sight

SIR, Once upon a time in Harlow, not so long ago, you could occasionally see a bobby on a bike. This was reassuring as it confirmed that there is constabulary life beyond the computer screen and the squad car.

Now you never see one. Are they hibernating or is it more basic than that in that there is no one at the police station who can fix punctures, adjust brakes and oil chains? We should be

told.

Maybe they will appear again with the daffodils. I await a happy outcome to this mystery.

John Curry
Old Orchard, Harlow

Amnesty thanks

SIR, We would like to thank all those kind people who took time to visit the Amnesty International stall in the Harvey Centre and send a message of support to some of those unfortunates whose human rights are being abused in so many countries. The thousands of cards they have received will give them renewed hope.

The greetings card campaign runs until the end of this month and anyone who would like to take part can find details on the website www.amnesty.org.uk/gcc.

Thanks also for your generosity in donating £100 towards Amnesty's work which currently includes campaigns on China and on human trafficking.

Anne Neuhaus
Elmbridge, Harlow

We pay tax too

SIR, If the powers-that-be in Harlow Council managed their finances better, the situation over the cost of bus passes for pensioners would not have arisen (*Star*, January 10).

OAPs should not suffer because of the council's inefficiency. We also pay council tax so any increase will affect us.

C.A. Usher
Foldcroft, Harlow

Fowl practice

SIR, I am writing to confirm my family's total support for the current campaign against the intensive farming of chickens and any other meat.

We look forward to websites, etc continuing the battle.

Mrs H. Davey
Daisy Cottages, Gilston



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Bogus police steal from pensioners

PENSIONERS were burgled after being conned by two men posing as police officers.

The elderly couple were at home in Red Lion Lane, Harlow, when thieves called.

The 72-year-old woman answered the door about 9pm on Monday to find a man

with an Irish accent claiming to be a policeman. He kept her talking as another man broke in at the rear and stole an unknown amount of cash.

The theft follows an incident in nearby Hillside on January 3 when two men posing as police tried to enter a

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One of the men in the latest incident was described as being 30-40, white, of medium build, with short dark hair, a small amount of facial hair and an Irish accent. No description was given of the second man.

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Donation is a big Spur to hospice



THANKS: Ledley King and Mark Robinson

(photo: ZPGP7SPD/01)

FUNDRAISING for St Clare Hospice got a tremendous Spur on Friday when the footballing pride of north London made a welcome donation.

Tottenham Hotspur captain Ledley King took time out of his busy training schedule to hand over a cheque for £2,500 to head of corporate fundraising Mark Robinson at a presentation on Friday.

The money was raised through the FA Community Shield and will be used to meet the cost of running an in-patient's room at the Hastingwood hospice for up to one month.

"Following a trip Wayne Routledge made to the St.Clare Hospice last year I know all about the good work done there," Ledley told the Star. "It is great to see the funds from the Community Shield match being used in this way and I was delighted to be able to present them with this cheque."

Builder wins payout over council snub

HARLOW Council has been ordered to pay a former employee £66,821 in compensation after ignoring an industrial tribunal's previous order to reinstate him.

Builder Steven O'Mahoney (46) was awarded the payout by a tribunal in Stratford. The level of the compensation was said to reflect the council's "cavalier" attitude and obstructive actions.

Mr O'Mahoney, who was dismissed in May 2006 for alleged dishonesty, expected to get his job back immediately after a tribunal hearing on January 8 last year ordered his reinstatement and a smaller award of compensation.

But the council refused to comply with the order, meaning he was left out a few weeks later when the

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authority's manual staff were transferred to contractor Kier Harlow.

He subsequently found it impossible to get work, took to drink and was diagnosed with depression. He remains signed off work.

At the most recent hearing, the tribunal found unanimously that the council had provided no reasonable excuse for not reinstating Mr O'Mahoney.

Its findings state: "The manner of termination of (Mr O'Mahoney's) employment in May 2006 was peremptory and made without proper investigation of the circumstances."

"The delay in paying (Mr O'Mahoney) compensation ordered in January 2007 is further evidence

of (the council's) cavalier attitude. It must have been aware from the evidence called at the January hearing that (Mr O'Mahoney) was in a dire financial position and its delay can only have served to exacerbate that position. The tribunal unanimously concludes that (the council's) actions in failing to reinstate (Mr O'Mahoney) were deliberate."

Mr O'Mahoney was represented by the Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians. Regional secretary Brian Rye said: "Our officials had gone to great lengths to persuade council officers that this dismissal was wrong."

"The decision of council officers to ignore that advice and the rulings of the employment tribunal has cost Harlow council tax-payers dearly."

A council spokesman said the authority was disappointed at the outcome.

Tory stands by malnutrition claim

A ROW has broken out between the chief executive of Harlow's Princess Alexandra Hospital and the Conservative hoping to become the town's next MP over statistics on patient malnutrition.

The war of words began after Tory prospective Parliamentary candidate Robert Halfon released figures obtained by his party's health spokesman Stephen O'Brien.

The data suggested that in 2006-07, PAH discharged 309 malnourished patients and that, nationwide, cases of malnutrition in UK hospitals had risen by 84 per cent in the last 10 years.

But PAH Trust chief Chris Pocklington reacted angrily to the claim, describing the statistics as "totally wrong" and accusing Mr

Halfon of not understanding the complex elements of managing nutrition.

"There are a number of complex clinical reasons why a patient might be under-nourished following a hospital stay, including the treatment and drug regime they are under or the illness they have been treated for," he said.

"To group them all together and give the impression they have been neglected or under-fed whilst in our hospital is totally misleading."

He added that the hospital monitors patients' food intake and ensures all have the opportunity to be properly fed by using a system whereby those requiring help to eat are served on a blue tray as an alert to staff.

However, Mr Halfon said he stood

by his original comments because they were based on official statistics.

"The figures on malnutrition are not Conservative figures they are the Government's own figures, placed irrefutably on the public record through Parliamentary questions," he said.

"According to Government figures, in 2006-07 PAH admitted 301 patients with diagnosis of malnutrition, nutritional anaemia or other nutritional deficiency and discharged 309."

"Given there is no guarantee that the figures refer to the same patients, the nutrition of at least eight patients worsened during their stay at the PAH which is something I would be interested to discuss with Mr Pocklington."

Rail robber stole from young men

A MAN has been jailed for carrying out a series of robberies on trains on the rail network between Harlow and Bishop's Stortford.

Leon Nangle (20) pleaded guilty to four robberies committed between March and June last year.

Chelmsford Crown Court was told that Nangle, from Walthamstow, targeted young men aged 15-25. He engaged them in conversation and then threatened them, sometimes with a knife, before stealing cash, mobile phones and music players.

Nangle was sentenced to an indeterminate period of detention for public protection. He will serve a minimum of 40 months in prison before he can appear before a parole board.

Detective Constable Graeme Knox, of British Transport Police, said afterwards: "The offences Leon Nangle committed were frightening, completely unprovoked and caused a considerable amount of distress to a number of innocent people. "The sentence sends a clear message to people that BTP and the courts do not tolerate any form of violence or threatening behaviour on the railways, and those who do commit offences of this nature will be dealt with extremely seriously."

Trolley folly

SCORES of shopping trolleys are to be crushed after being dumped around Harlow.

A total of 130 trolleys will be flattened after stores failed to pay the £70 release fee introduced by Harlow Council last year.

Buzz off! Will shop alarms repel teens?

TROUBLE-plagued shopping parades could soon become safe havens if ear-busting ultrasonic devices which repel groups of loitering teenagers are installed.

Police and community officials are considering putting up mosquitoes – electrical equipment which emit a high-pitched tone audible only to the under 20s – at two of Harlow's neighbourhood shopping hatches.

The piercing sound is said to be so unbearable that youngsters have no choice but to move on.

Plans to introduce the devices come after a spate of anti-social behaviour which has seen shopkeepers in Katherines Hatch verbally abused and intimidated by teenagers congregating in the area.

As a result, police have increased the number of high-visibility patrols in the area and are concentrating on gathering intelligence to curb the problem.

Fishers Hatch in Netteswell is also understood to be experiencing problems with groups of youths loitering.

PC Dave Kealy, who oversees the Katherines patch, said a lot of the incidents have gone unreported but issues had come to light as a result of talks with shopkeepers and locals.

"It is important those who are responsible know that their behaviour will not be tolerated," he said. "We are currently working with other agencies to solve problems there."

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The parade of shops has been plagued by crime in recent weeks. Last Saturday a shopkeeper was held at knifepoint by thieves and another store was raided late last year.

Last week a man was found bleeding with serious head injuries after he was set upon in the estate.

Harlow Council said it was in talks with relevant agencies about installing mosquitoes in both the areas. A meeting will be held next week to discuss the plans.

A spokesman added: "The majority of young people play without causing a nuisance but from time to time we will experience problems in an area which means we will consider installing systems or take other action to tackle particular youth nuisance issues."

On the subject of the mosquitoes he added: "Installation will be subject to agreement with traders and other agencies. Systems have been used in other areas across the country with good success."

What do YOU think?

Will the installation of mosquitoes be an effective way of tackling anti-social behaviour at Harlow's shopping hatches. Let us know what you think at www.harlowstar.co.uk

Woman's heartbreak at theft of grave tree

SICKENED:

Louise Bramble, left, and her sister Kirsty at the grave (photo: GDHJVDFH/04)



A WOMAN has branded thieves who stole a Christmas tree from the grave of her grandfather and brother as heartless.

Louise Bramble, of Joyners Field, Harlow, was shocked to find the artificial tree missing when she visited the joint plot at Parndon Wood Cemetery to pay her respects.

At first she thought cemetery staff may have removed the decoration because it had fallen over but was told they had no knowledge as to its whereabouts.

A tearful Ms Bramble told the Star: "I always put a decorated tree on the grave every year. It's become a bit of a tradition and is our way of

remembering them over Christmas.

"I couldn't believe it when I turned up to find it missing. At first I thought it might have been blown over and been removed but when I asked them they had no idea where it was.

"I just can't believe someone could be so heartless as to steal from someone's grave. It's not as if the tree was even worth a lot of money but for our family it was special. This is a sickening crime."

The theft follows a spate of break-ins and thefts from cars parked at the cemetery last year, which prompted Harlow Council to warn people visiting graves to be vigilant with their belongings.

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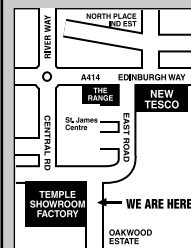


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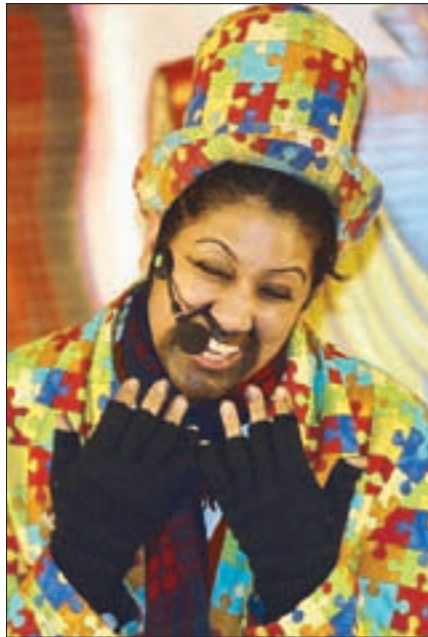
A big dramatic splash

MARK HALL: Students from Harlow got a dose of festive theatre when a touring troupe visited.

Pantomime fun was had by the after-school club when Chaplin's Theatre Company staged its production of *The Magic Castle*.

Cats, dogs and chickens were all part of the show, which involved more than a little audience participation.

A spokeswoman for the school said: "They had so much fun and the theatre company were excellent performers – it was a real treat."

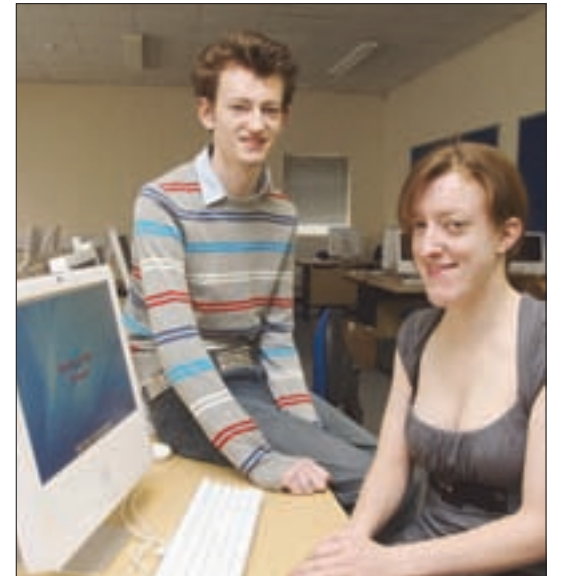


Students find a smoking gun

HARLOW COLLEGE: Students from the college's journalism centre made it onto a respected online trade website with their investigative skills by exposing local shops' lack of enforcement for the new tobacco trading laws.

Since October 1 last year, it has been illegal to sell tobacco to under-18s. The probe, carried out by a group of five students, found eight out of 20 shops tested sold cigarettes to 16-year-olds without requesting ID. These included major chains, and the subsequent article made it onto journalism website Hold The Front Page.

James Sharp, a student on the Bachelor of Arts course, said: "We thought this investigation was relevant because it was an issue we felt strongly about and we wanted to see if the new laws were being abided by."



SCOOP: Pictured are student journalists James Sharp and Holly Kernot (photo: QQTVM3Q/05)

Pupils should never tyre of their new play area



MILWARDS PRIMARY:

Tractor tyres have created endless amounts of fun for children after being installed to serve as new play equipment.

A total of 15 tyres have been dug into the ground at the Paringdon Road site – creating a low-level windmill shape which is ideal for helping children learn to jump and balance.

The new addition, which saw all the tyres donated by a specialist company, is part of an on-going redevelopment of the play facilities at the school. Headteacher Angela Callaway said: "It looks fantastic and it is next to the quiet area, so there are two or three types of area for the children to use in the playground now which is good because they all help develop different skills."

Pictured, left to right, are Samir Ali, Paul Aquilina, Leah Gregory and Edna Opoku.

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Farewell to headteacher Helen

PEAR TREE MEAD PRIMARY: The Trotters Road school's popular headteacher Helen Johnson, pictured right, has left for pastures new after four years.

The whole school took part in a farewell party on her last day, which began with a service at the Holy Cross Church led by Year 5 and 6 pupils. They were joined by parents and community representatives to wish her well.

After the service, a party was held which culminated in a giant game of pass-the-parcel.

A school spokeswoman said: "The day was a way for the parents, staff, and children to say their goodbyes and thank-yous for her perseverance and hard work to not settle for anything but the best for Pear Tree Mead."

Mrs. Johnson leaves the school to help establish a new school near Braintree.



Funds for hospice

SCHOOLS have been counting the pennies following their festive fundraising efforts for a local worthy cause.

FAWBERT AND BARNARD PRIMARY, THE DOWNS PRIMARY and KINGS MOOR PRIMARY helped raise hundreds of pounds for Hastingwood's St Clare Hospice.

They held collections during their Christmas performances, as well as refreshment stalls at their fetes, to raise £350. Some of the pupils,

including those from **STEWARDS**, gave a Christmas concert for patients.

The hospice's Giles Wright said: "This is a special time of year for the hospice as we try to give patients happy moments and a real spirit of Christmas, as well as special memories for their families, not memories of pain and distress."

"Our local schools have given us a couple of hours of festive fun, laughing and enjoyment, not just for the patients but for all of us who work here as well!"

Couple among first to wed in St Paul's



By
BEN WILKINSON

WE asked last year for your memories of local churches and Irene Sawyer was among those to get in touch.

On September 5, 1959 Mrs Sawyer, of The Fortunes, Harlow, (then a young Miss Hall) married husband Derek at St Paul's in The High.

They were only the fourth couple to wed in the church and the ceremony was conducted by the Rev Donald Knight, the first vicar at St Paul's who was later made a canon.

Our pictures show the interior and exterior of the newly built church in the same year.

Mrs Sawyer told *Nostalgia*: "I wore a white ballerina-length dress and had three bridesmaids. I still have the local newspaper cutting of the wedding report.

"We had one wedding car from Old Harlow, which first brought Derek and his parents to the church, then it collected my mum and the bridesmaids from Long Ley, before coming back for me and my dad.

"It was a lovely service and after the photographs were taken we went to the Como restaurant, in Terminus Street, where we had our reception in the upstairs room.

"As it was the first wedding reception they had done and because Derek – an Eastern Electricity Board workman at the time – had done all the electrical work for them, we were given a special rate!

"Later on, we were collected by our car and taken to London where we caught a train to Newquay for a week's honeymoon."

Mrs Sawyer said that although it was a simple



CHURCH TIMES: Pictured, above and right, is St Paul's Church in 1959

wedding by today's standards, they wouldn't have changed a thing: "We couldn't have had a happier day and now we are looking forward to our golden wedding anniversary in 2009."

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JOBS - THERE'S BAD NEWS AND GOOD

MAJOR Harlow employer Longman's Publishing has announced 38 redundancies following the loss of business to African countries.

And further jobs hang in the balance as three Harlow shops - Bernard's Fashions in Market Square; Fine Fare of Staple Tye; and Foster Menswear - are all set to close.

However, there is positive news too with reports that Burnt Mill motor dealers J Dixon and Son, currently in administration, could be sold as a going concern. New jobs will also be created with the opening of Pronuptia brideswear shop in The Rows.

CHEAPER ON BUSES

CHAIRMAN of Harlow Council Bill Gibson was the first to take advantage of Harlow's new jobseeker bus fare scheme on Monday.

Mr Gibson, who was made redundant from his storekeeper's job in October,

is among those now entitled to half-price travel.

ZOE JOINS THE TEAM

ZOE Anne is the latest member of the Huddle team. She was born at Princess Alexandra Hospital to Anne, wife of Spurs star Glenn Huddle.

Glenn completed his weekend to remember by scoring a goal in Tottenham's game with Luton on Saturday.

DO YOU REMEMBER?

Have any of our correspondents' recollections jogged your memory? Do you remember the Como restaurant referred to by Mrs Sawyer, or any other eating places from Harlow's past?

Write to Nostalgia, Harlow Star, 6-8 West Gate, The High, Harlow, Essex CM20 1JW or email your memories and old photographs to us at wilkinsonb@hertsessexnews.co.uk

Edna's wonder at first television

OUR recent picture of the old Leytonia record and gramophone shop in West Gate brought back happy memories of the 1950s for reader Edna Graham, of Cock Green, Harlow.

Edna, who as a girl lived in the hamlet of Holyfield, near Waltham Abbey,

recalls: "My father, brother and I went on a special trip to Harlow, cycling from our home on the Crooked Mile to purchase our very first television set from the store. "It was very exciting for the whole family, especially when we came home from school the following week

to find it had been delivered.

"We were very proud to be only the second family in our road to own a television set and from then on all the neighbours would squeeze into our living room on a Wednesday evening to watch *Rawhide!*"



Debt expert answers your questions...

Dawn Wilkie, a senior debt advisor for Community Legal Advice, a free and confidential advice service (paid by legal aid), answers your questions below.

I have missed several mortgage repayments due to the pressure of other debt repayments and now I have received a letter threatening to evict my family. Is it too late to save our house?

A: You must act quickly. If you seek professional advice from a specialist housing or debt adviser it is usually possible to prevent eviction. The consequences of not meeting mortgage repayments are greater than for other debts, such as credit cards. The specialist adviser may be able to come to an arrangement with your mortgage lender, and all your other creditors.

When the 0% interest for credit cards trend took off I transferred my balance to a new card every 6 months. Unfortunately I didn't destroy my old cards and continued spending on them. I'm now being hit with huge bills that I simply cannot pay off. Please help.

A: Firstly, cut up all your credit cards to prevent any further overspending. Next, sit down and review your income and what you spend to see if there are any areas you can cut down on. Finally, you should seek advice from a specialist debt adviser who will give you options for the best way forward, based on your own personal circumstances.

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On your marks for the start of Race for Life

THE countdown is about to begin to one of Harlow's most popular fitness and fundraising events of the year – the Cancer Research UK Race For Life.

The sponsored three-mile, women-only fun run around the Town Park has now become an annual fixture of the calendar, attracting upwards of 2,000 participants of all ages and fitness levels.

And once again the *Star* is Race For Life's official media partner in Harlow.

It will be one of 270 races to be held at different locations across the country with hundreds of thousands of women taking part. It is hoped that the Harlow race alone will draw in around £280,000 in sponsorship money.

Last year's race, which took

place in glorious weather, was won by 46-year-old Heather White who finished in a time of just under 25 minutes.

But the organisers are keen to stress it is the taking part that counts and many less energetic participants have just as much fun by completing the course at a leisurely walking pace.

Organiser Gill Burgess explained: "Race For Life began as one race in 1994 with 680 participants. Since then it has grown to see over 3.4million women taking part to raise more than £200m to help fund Cancer Research UK's life-saving work.

"Race For Life is about women coming together to make a positive difference for themselves and others."

● Entries for the 2008 race in Harlow, which takes place on May 18, open on Monday when the website www.raceforlife.org and telephone hotline 08705 134314 go live.



THEY'RE OFF: The start of last year's Race For Life in Harlow Town Park which attracted more than 2,000 runners

Church fundraisers in need of some local knowledge

THE search is on to find someone with an interest in churches and with a love of the great outdoors to help organise local ride and stride events to raise money for the upkeep of local places of worship. Fiona Nelmes, pictured right, has taken over as county co-ordinator for the annual Friends of Essex Churches fundraising event but is looking for someone with local knowledge to organise the Harlow side of things.

In previous years walks and bike rides have raised more than £100,000 to help preserve the fabric of churches across Essex and east London.

Participants donate half the money they raise to the church of their choice with the remainder going into a general grants fund.

Mrs Nelmes said: "I'm looking forward to building on the success of the ride and stride events of previous years and I'm hoping to make 2008 the best one yet.

"The role of the area and local organisers, such as the one I'm hoping to recruit in Harlow, is key to making it an enjoyable and profitable event."

Hospice walk

ORGANISERS of the St Clare Hospice Winter Walk, which was cancelled last month because of the foot and mouth scare, have announced that it will now take place on January 27.

The route of the walk, which starts and finishes at the Hastingwood hospice, follows a course through the Essex countryside. At the end walkers will be served with soup, rolls and mulled wine.

Tickets to take part cost £10 for adults and £5 for children with proceeds going directly to the hospice. To book a place call



(01279) 773750.

Meanwhile, billiards players who competed in a recent charity tournament potted a sum of £1,200 for the hospice.

The event held at The Stow Snooker Club last month was won by Kevin Gates, with Adrian Parsons runner-up.

The total was boosted by the proceeds from a quiz run by Tony Smith while members of the club's darts team chipped in by donating their Christmas drink money.

Raising the roof

GIRL Guides in Sawbridgeworth and High Wych are £500 better off thanks to a local building society.

The group received the cash after applying to the town's branch of the Saffron for a grant to repair the roof of its headquarters. It is hoped the

work will be completed by Easter.

Guide leader Liz Faulkner said: "This donation is a wonderful gesture and it will make a big difference to our community."

U3A challenge

A MEETING to establish a Harlow branch of the University of the Third Age takes place at Great Parndon Community Association in Abercrombie Way on Monday at 11am.

The meeting is open to anyone with ideas for new classes or courses or who would like to get involved with the organisation.

Stroke awards

STROKE survivors who have beaten the odds to rebuild their lives can be nominated for a new awards scheme run by the Stroke Association.

The Life After Stroke awards recognise people who have demonstrated courage in the face of the devastating consequences of a stroke, as well as volunteers and carers who have shown outstanding commitment.

To nominate someone or find out more visit www.stroke.org.uk or call (01604) 623956.

Share a pint

BLOOD donor sessions are being held at Harlow's Latton Bush Centre, in Southern Way, on Tuesday from 2-4pm and 5-7.45pm, and next Friday from 10.30am-12.30pm and 2-3.30pm.

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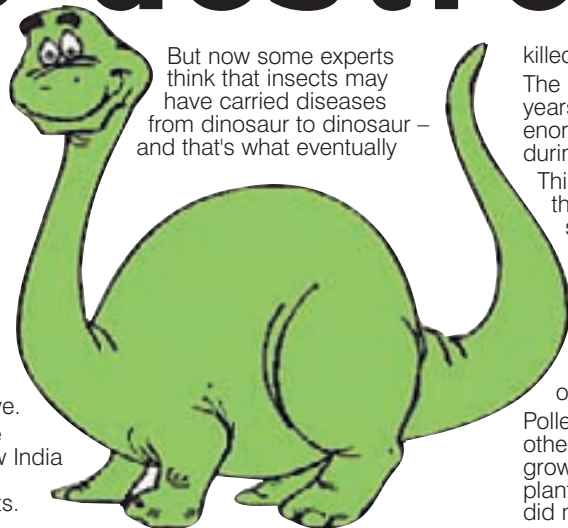
Dino destroyers

AS crazy as it may sound, tiny insects could have wiped out the mighty dinosaurs that stalked the Earth millions of years ago.

Some scientists believe that mosquitoes, mites and other small biting bugs may have led to the downfall of the enormous monsters.

Until now many experts thought a meteor struck the Earth, causing massive changes to the planet's climate that meant the dinosaurs could no longer survive.

Another theory was that massive volcanic eruptions in what is now India led to changes in the weather system which killed off the beasts.



But now some experts think that insects may have carried diseases from dinosaur to dinosaur – and that's what eventually

killed them off.

The dinosaurs died out about 65 million years ago, bringing an end to an enormous period in the planet's history during which they ruled the Earth.

This latest theory about what killed them is described in a book by scientists George and Roberta Poinar.

They also claim insects could have made it harder for the dinos to survive by changing the type of plants that grew on Earth.

Pollen carried by bees and other insects encouraged the growth of more flowering plants which the dinosaurs did not like to eat.



(photo: WQCMZBBR/02)

NAME: Logan (member 897)
DATE OF BIRTH: January 18, 2002
ADDRESS: Old Road, Old Harlow
SCHOOL: St James Primary
HOBBIES: Building things, DIY, decorating his room
DISLIKES: Getting out of bed in the morning
FAVOURITE FOOD: Spaghetti bolognese
LEAST FAVOURITE FOOD: Cheese
FAVOURITE BOOK: *Toy Story*
FAVOURITE TV: *Cars*
FAVOURITE MUSIC: *High School Musical*
FAMILY: Sisters Amber (9) and Hope (3)
PETS: Two guinea pigs
WANTS TO BE: A firefighter

RANGERS FACTFILE

Happy Birthday

TODAY

JOSHUA (member 386), of Chapelfields, Harlow, is 10; **WILL** (member 293), of Altham Grove, Harlow, is 8.

FRIDAY

BEN (member 509), of Vicarage Wood, Harlow, is 11; **LOGAN**, (member 897), of Old Road, Old Harlow, is 6.

MONDAY

JACK (member 694), of Markwell Wood, Harlow, is 8; **ZACHARY** (member 699), of Peacocks, Harlow, and **ALEX** (member 728), of Park Mead, Harlow, are 6.

TUESDAY

OLIVIA (member 791), of Woodcroft, Harlow, is 9; **AMELIA** (member 674), of Rundells, Harlow, is 3; **LUCY** (member 874), of Hull Grove, Harlow, is 1.

WEDNESDAY

EMMA (member 524), of Church End, Harlow, is 9.

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Our new recruits

JADE (member 894), of Wedhey, Harlow, is 7. She enjoys watching *High School Musical* and dancing.

FERN (member 895), of Hookfield, Harlow, is 8. She enjoys swimming, drawing, singing and watching *Doctor Who*.

SEAN (member 896), of Pittmans Field, Harlow, is 1. He enjoys climbing stairs, dancing and being noisy and messy. **LOGAN** (member 897) and **HOPE** (member 898), of Old Road, Old Harlow, are aged 6 and 3 respectively. Logan enjoys building things and DIY while Hope enjoys watching *Dora The Explorer*.

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DOWN: 1 Baroque; 2 Rhine; 3 Of interest; 4 Pigeonhole; 5 Turk; 6 Haze; 7 Rain Tin; 9 Wear; 12 Oxyamorphic; 13 Omnivoracious; 15 Garnish; 17 Jury; 19 Cogeneity; 22 Izmir; 23 Fang; 24 Acer.

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INTERNET POLL

Last week on our home page we asked: "Should the unemployed be stripped of their benefits if they turn down three 'reasonable' jobs?" 85.4 per cent said "yes" and 14.6 per cent said "no". This week we're asking: "Do you think Harlow Council is right to seek a private operator to run Parndon Wood crematorium?" Log on to our home page now to have your say.

FIVE MOST READ WEB STORIES

- 1) Children injured in attack
- 2) Probe after oak trees felled
- 3) Knifepoint raid at store
- 4) Railway robber jailed
- 5) Playhouse boss resigns

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Death of town's former mayor

TRIBUTES have been paid to five-time Sawbridgeworth mayor Frank Clay, who has died aged 95.

He died last Monday at a nursing home in Cornwall, having been unwell since a fall at home in Vantorts Road, Sawbridgeworth, in August.

Daughter Jane Burke described him as "a loving father", adding: "We will miss him ter-

ribly. He was a smashing man to have about." Current Sawbridgeworth mayor Roger Beeching said: "It is very sad to lose such a stalwart member of the town council. He was never very verbose but when he did speak it always made sense."

Conservative Mr Clay was the town's first mayor in 1974-5 and subsequently held office in 1981-82, 1988-89, 1996-97 and 2000-01.

Protected oaks chopped

OAK trees thought to be more than 100 years old were illegally hacked down by two bogus council workers.

Five trees were felled in protected woodland in Ram Gorse and Herons Wood, Harlow. It is believed they were felled to sell locally for wood.

The two culprits, one of whom is described as tall and middle-aged, face a £20,000 fine if caught.

It is thought they used a blue Land Rover, a red tractor and a Mitsubishi trailer. Anyone with information about the theft on December 29 should call (01279) 641212.

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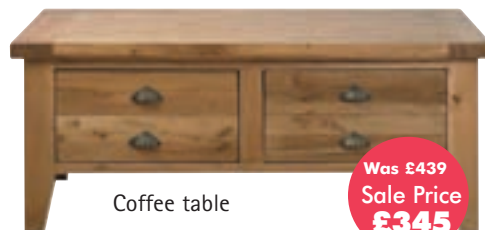
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KATHLEEN BRANT

Passed peacefully away at Princess Alexandra Hospital on December 23rd 2007.

Funeral at Parndon Wood Crematorium on Wednesday 23rd January 2008 at 12.30pm.

Donations made payable to 'St Clare Hospice Trust' may be sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow. Sadly missed by Son Philip and Family.

Now at rest with Husband Donald and Daughter Susan.

ANDREW CONROY

The much loved husband, father, brother and grandfather, passed away Sunday 13th January. He will be sadly missed by all of his loving family and friends. For further details please contact Daniel Robinson and Sons on Harlow 426990

COOK. — Gladys. Formerly of Netteswellbury Farm, Harlow. Passed away peacefully on 3rd January in Norfolk aged 90 years. Much loved and sadly missed. The funeral service will be held at Earlham Crematorium, Norwich at 12.45pm on 18th January. Flowers or if desired donations to the Alzheimers Society, may be sent via Breckland Funeral Services on 01953 881229.

FENWICK — Norman. Sadly passed away 10th January 2008. Funeral 21st January 10.30 am. Parndon Wood Crematorium. Forever in our hearts. Your ever loving wife Christine, daughters Donna, Marie, Chrystal, Jasmine (Yvette), Kirsty & family x x x x x.

DANNY HONAN

Passed away peacefully on 8th January, aged 73 years.
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Funeral service is to take place at Our Lady Queen of Peace, Braintree on Friday 18th January 2008 at 1.15pm.
Flowers and enquiries to Daniel Robinson and Sons, 7 Manor Street, Braintree, Essex CM7 3HW. Tel: (01376) 320582

FRAN (CHARLES) KERRY

Passed away 11th January 2008. Will be sadly missed. Funeral enquiries to John Lincoln 01485 534421 Hunstanton. No flowers, donations to Cancer Research

DAVID W GRIFFIN

Passed away peacefully on Saturday 12th January 2008 aged 57 years. At peace now after being taken from us too soon by an illness bravely borne until the end. Loved beyond words by his wife Sharon, daughter Angie, sons Michael and John, son-in-law Stuart and grandson Ben. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him and will leave a huge hole in our lives that cannot be filled.

Funeral to take place at the City of London Cemetery, Manor Park E12 5DQ. Date and time still to be arranged. All enquiries to Daniel Robinson & Sons, 79-81 South Street, Bishop's Stortford, Herts CM23 3AL.

ROY HENRY HEMES

Sadly passed away on 10th January 2008, aged 74 years. Sadly missed by family and friends. The funeral will take place at Parndon Wood Crematorium on Tuesday 22nd January 2008 at 2pm. All enquiries or donations made payable to "Cancer Research UK" can be sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow, Essex CM20 1QP. 01279 426990

JULIE PALMER
16.01.1961
07.01.2008
Passed peacefully after short illness bravely borne. Greatly missed by all who loved her. Funeral January 24th 10.30am Great Parndon Crematorium

JOAN PLUMB

Passed away peacefully on Friday 11th January 2008, aged 77 years. Joan will be greatly missed by all her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, family and friends. Funeral service will take place at Parndon Wood Crematorium Chapel on Monday 21st January 2008 at 3.30pm. Flowers or donations made payable to St. Clare Hospice Trust may be sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow. Tel: 01279 426990.

CHRISTOPHER ALAN NEWELL

Passed away peacefully after a short illness Friday 11th January 2008. Aged 57.
Greatly loved and missed by wife Joyce, sons Tom and Jake, family and many, many friends.
Funeral service to take place Tuesday 29th January 12 noon at Harlow Crematorium. All enquiries to James Hawes Goodchild, Stow, 01279 427362.

KATH PULFORD

Passed away peacefully on 5th January 2008, aged 79.

Much loved Kath, will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

Funeral service held at Parndon Wood Crematorium, 25th January 2008 at 12 noon.

Flowers, immediate family only, donations to Leukemia Research.

Co-op Funeral for details

PHILIP WATSON

Passed away peacefully in Grantham Hospital, aged 90 years. Funeral service will be held at Grantham Crematorium on Thursday 24th January at 2.45pm. All enquiries to Richard Barnes Funeral Directors, Wilton Road, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire LE13 0UJ. Tel: 01664 565311

STELLA WINTERS

Suddenly on 7th January 2008 at the Princess Alexandra Hospital, aged 73 years. The beloved wife of Charlie, a dear mum to Denise and Steve. A wonderful and loving nan to Bradley, Dean, Sam, Aaron and Lauren and great grandmother to Flynn. She will be sadly missed by all her loving family and many friends.

Stella's funeral service is to be held on Wednesday 30th January 2008, at the Harlow Baptist Church, Fore Street, Old Harlow at 11.30am, followed by cremation at Parndon Wood, Crematorium. Family flowers only please, donations if desired. For the British Heart Foundation (cheques made payable to MFH Charities Account). All enquiries and donations to the Funeral Directors, Masterson Funeral Home, Station Road, Old Harlow, Essex CM17 0AS. Tel. 01279 626238

In Memoriam

CHRIS BULL

You may not be here with me, but I know you are by my side, I hold your heart next to mine as I always will. I love you Carol x

You are with us all in everything we do. Love and miss you dad. Love Col and family x

Pops, every day is painful without you, not just today. Love you. Clare, Matt, Lewis and Luca xxxx

Grandad are you watching when I play football? Can you see? I hope you see every second and that you are proud of me. I love you, Lewis x

TONY LOUIS GOUGH

Another year has passed but memories of you are kept in our hearts, forever loved and remembered every day.

Susan, Simon, Rachel and Neil

DENISE JARVIS

March 11th, 1964 - January 14th, 2003
Always in our thoughts.
Forever in our hearts.
Miss you darling love Mum and Dad xxx

LUDLAM — Thomas 20.1.1992. Irene 16.2.2004. Formerly of Little Brays. Two wonderful parents missed more than words can say. Will be loved forever. Barbara, Brian and families.

FAMILY NOTICES

Births, Marriages, Deaths, etc.

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IRENE MORLAND

January 20th 1995

She was a Mum so very rare. Content in her home and always there.

On earth she toiled, in heaven she rests. God bless you Mum, you were the best.

Together now with Dad forever. Both sadly missed.

Your loving Daughter Pat xx

WENLOCK. — Christopher. In memory of a dear son and brother who passed away 21st January 1986. In our thoughts always, love Mum, Dad, Margaret and Julie xx.

Return Thanks

BUDD

We would like to thank family, friends and neighbours who attended Doris Budd's funeral on Jan 14th. From Raymond, Derick, Jennifer, Christine.

CATHERINE (RENA) EDGELL

Sadly passed away 25th December 2007. Cremation took place on 7th January 2008. The family would like to thank all those who sent flowers and attended the service.

SMYTH. — Charles. Dolly and her family, would like to thank everyone for their kindness and sympathy on the sad loss of dear Charlie, for attending, also many cards, beautiful flowers, to Father Bernard for lovely service, Daniel Robinsons for true professionalism, Sydenham House for Charles care and comfort to us all, also Jimmy Whitbread for wonderful tributes to dear Charlie. The Link club for lovely catering to us all. God Bless. Please accept this as our only acknowledgement of sincere gratitude.

MERRITT. — Jack, 15th February 1991. Sadly missed, always remembered. All our love, Joan and family. x

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Family Announcements

Birth Congratulations



FIONA CHAPMAN

My wonderful wife, very well done on the safe arrival of our son. So proud of you (You're as hard as nails!) All my love always Colin xxx

1st Birthday



INDIA JOY MAY SMITH

Happy 1st Birthday Princess Pea, 19th January. Love you loads Mummy, Daddy, Nanny, Grandad, Auntie Amanda and Auntie Amy.



REES FOXWELL

Happy 18th Birthday. Love from Mum, Dad and Lewis

21st Birthday



CHERIE BECKETT

21st January Have a great 21st birthday. Love you lots Mum, Dad, Lyndsay, Marc and all the family xxx

SIMON CLEMENTS

Happy 30th Birthday 23rd January



Have a good one Si, loads of love Mum, Dad, Sophie, Paul and Belle

40th Birthday



MARIA KNEE (Barrett)

Look who's 40 Happy Birthday for 19th January. Lots of love Derek, Darren and Daniel xxx

CHAPMAN Mummy and Daddy

Thank you for my beautiful brother. Lots of love, hugs and kisses. Freya xxx



1st BIRTHDAY

MEGAN SPENCER

21st January Happy 1st Birthday darling Lots of love and kisses Mummy and Daddy xxx



Happy 18th Birthday Rees Love you. Paige x

COLLINS. — Kelly. Happy 21st birthday. Love from Nan and Grandad Bernie.

21st BIRTHDAY

KELLY COLLINS

Happy 21st Birthday on 18th January. Have a lovely evening. Love from Mum, Dad, Carley, Dan, Chloe and Colin xx

SEAN DONOVAN

17.01.08 Happy 30th Birthday Love Mum and Dad and Theresa and Catherine xxxx



TROY PRATT

Congratulations on your 40th Birthday. Lots of love Mum, Dad, Susan xxx

50th Birthday

HAPPY 50TH BIRTHDAY KEVIN JENNINGS



Lots of love Nuala, Matt, Mike and Ben XXXX



CHAPMAN

Fiona and Colin Congratulations on the birth of your son born 15/01/08. All our love and best wishes Mum, Dad, Kerrie, Colin, Donna, Paul, Brad, Emma, Rhianna, Harrison, Cerys xxx

13th Birthday



KIERA GIBSON

Happy 13th Birthday on 19th January Finally a teenager! All our love Mum, Dad, Ben and Holly



AMY KISBY

Happy 18th Birthday Amy. Lots of love and kisses Nan and Abi xxxxx

18th BIRTHDAY

AMY KISBY

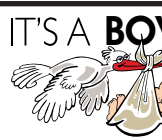
Happy 18th Birthday Lots of love Auntie Val and Uncle Tosh xxxx

16th Birthday



CHAZZIE B

Happy 16th Birthday Enjoy New York Luv always Mum, Dad and Alfie xxx



POPE : LEONARD

CARA and RICK Congratulations on your baby boy, Cruz Love Mum, Dad, Bradley and all the family xx

Birthday

18th Birthday



Happy Birthday on 18th January to PAULA MITCHELL Lots of love and kisses, Freddie, Kurt and Dean xxx



Happy 18th Birthday LAUREN January 18th 2008 All our love Mum, Nan, Sam, Jackie, Paul, Sonia and James.



AIMEE McCANN

Happy 18th Birthday, 17th January All our love Mum, Dad, James and Gypsy xxx



PAUL BARTLETT

Have a great 30th Birthday. Lots of love Sophie, Belle, Mum, Dad, Lisa, Nathan, Caitlin and Emily



SUE WILSON

To my little Susie, Happy 50th Birthday With love from Mumxxx

80th Birthday

80th BIRTHDAY

JOE GODSAFE

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In 2006 Harlow Council was successful in its bid for nearly £10m funding from the Department of Communities and Local Government to help renew four neighbourhoods in the town.

During 2007 a number of meetings were held in Prentice Place with local residents, traders and services to discuss the needs of the community. This has helped inform the design of the scheme and has ensured local opinion has been heard throughout the planning process.

Harlow Council and Harlow Renaissance are now inviting all residents who live around Prentice Place or use its services, to attend an Information Evening to see the final proposed design for the area.

The meeting will be held on

Wednesday 23rd January 2008 from 6.30-8.30pm
at Potter Street Baptist Church Hall

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Most schools below UK exams average

ONLY one school in Harlow achieved above the national average score in the latest exams league tables.

However, county education chiefs, were celebrating Essex being ahead of the national average for five GCSE grades A*-C including English and maths.

Essex schools are now up to 47.2 per cent for students in this category, 0.5 per cent above the national pass rate of 46.7 per cent.

The best performing Harlow

school for five or more grade A*-C including English and maths was St Mark's with 53 per cent, followed by Passmores (39 per cent), Burnt Mill (31 per cent), Mark Hall (27 per cent), Stewards (24 per cent) and Brays Grove (22 per cent).

Passmores' value added score, which takes into account students' average improvement throughout their school life, was fourth highest in the county.

Headteacher Vic Goddard said: "This goes to show that Passmores'

success is not down to the manipulation of data by making students sit exams purely to boost our position in the league tables but down to students receiving excellent teaching throughout all subjects to support the basics of English and maths."

Epping's St John's School managed 33 per cent in the same category while Leventhorpe in Sawbridge-worth excelled with 77 per cent.

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Family fumes at delay over damp kitchen



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A DISABLED man claims he was told he can no longer have his damp kitchen refurbished because funds have dried up.

Spinal arthritis and epilepsy sufferer Darren Smith, *pictured above*, (37) believes his condition is being worsened because of the problem at the council-owned property at Tunnmeade, Harlow.

He said he, his wife and three children were told by a council inspector in August they would be a priority to have their kitchen replaced.

But Mr Smith was called by council officials on Friday to be told the repairs will not be going ahead because there was no more money.

By **JIM TANFIELD**
tanfieldj@hertsessexnews.co.uk

"They told me the house was not going to be fitted with a new kitchen because the council has run out of money for them," said Mr Smith.

"Our kitchen is in such a bad state, we just can't understand it. We have relatives whose kitchens are being replaced in the town when their previous ones had very little wrong with them."

He also claimed phone calls to the council had gone ignored for months and that floor tiles have come away, creating a dangerous surface in addition to the problems of damp.

He added: "I have already tripped

over the tiles twice – you really have to see it to believe how bad it is. It's terrible the way we have just been ignored for all this time."

Council contractor Roc has been fitting the kitchens since 2005.

A council spokesman told the *Star* on Tuesday: "The replacement programme is on track for 2007/08 and 582 kitchens will be replaced."

"It is not true that the council has run out of money for this programme. Replacements are continuing to happen."

He added: "The tenant spoke to Kier Harlow on Friday and was told that the decision whether to replace the kitchen or not will be reviewed in the next few weeks."

This last statement was refuted by Mr Smith.

Pensioner's road death an accident

A PENSIONER killed after he was struck by a van while crossing a road in Harlow died as the result of an accident, an inquest has ruled.

The hearing held at Chelmsford coroner's court on Friday was told James Evans (80), of Park Court, died from multiple injuries sustained when he was hit by a van driven by Scott Kenway in First Avenue in 2006.

Mr Evans, who has no immediate

family, was taken to Princess Alexandra Hospital following the accident on December 1 but died later that day.

Sergeant Richard Raker, of Essex Police Traffic Investigation Unit, said a thorough inspection of the scene had ruled out any possibility that Mr Kenway was driving above the speed limit of 40mph at the time of impact.

He added that the Volkswagen Caddy was found to have been in

sound mechanical order and there were no problems with the condition of the road.

"There was no possibility of Mr Kenway stopping his vehicle in time to avoid hitting Mr Evans," he said. "Only Mr Evans could have known why he chose to cross at that time. There are clear views in excess of 200 metres for pedestrians at that point in the road."

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Samurai school at the sharp edge of success

A MARTIAL arts school in Harlow teaching sword-wielding students the way of the samurai is celebrating its second year of success.

Students of the Togakure Budo Ryu learn several fighting styles, with a syllabus also covering areas including the spear, naginata (sword on a pole), unarmed combat and Japanese archery.

Mike Graham, pictured right, is a 9th Dan chief instructor with more than 30 years of experience under his belt and said his classes, which are held at Harlow Common, North Weald and Upshire village halls, appeal to a cross-section of age groups and have proved so popular that places have been full since 2005.

However, due to younger members going to university, some openings are again available.

"I must admit I was very surprised when we first set up two years ago because we had so many people come along it was getting to the point where we would have had to

By CHRIS MOSS
moss@hertsessexnews.co.uk

turn people away because there wasn't enough space," said Mike. "Quite often there is a high turnover of people who practice other martial arts but we have kept almost all of the original members and we have only just been able to open up again to people because 12 of the younger members have gone off to university and some of the other members are now able to pass on their knowledge so can help me teach.

"I think the reason it has been so popular is because it is different. There are a few sword schools dotted around the country but they only do drawing and fighting. To find a school that does everything as a samurai would do, I can say, hand on heart, that we are probably unique in the country."

He added: "I think the key thing is not only to teach people to use the sword but also about the history and philosophy of the samurai and their skills which they can apply and use in life. Also, we have almost become a family and we have a laugh, which helps people learn better."



(photo: HRF23QWN/01)

Argenta looks forward to its new partner

A HARLOW pharmaceutical firm hopes its new working partnership with a leading drugs research company will reap rich rewards for patients and business alike.

Argenta Discovery, in Flex Meadow, announced the potentially lucrative new alliance with Coventry-based NeuroSolutions last week and claimed it would herald an expansion in the range of drug discovery services the firm could offer clients.

Chief executive officer Dr Christopher Ashton said: "Argenta has been looking at ways of enhancing its biochemistry and in vitro screening capabilities. "This alliance will enable Argenta to provide assay development and compound screening services across an even wider range of small molecule gene families. We are looking forward to working with NeuroSolutions."

Praise for staff of long service

HARLOW'S oldest funeral directors' has recognised the commitment shown by some of its longest-serving staff at a recent awards presentation.

Bosses at Daniel Robinson & Sons, in Wych Elm, handed out the gongs to nine employees who have shown loyalty to the 115-year-old company and clocked up an impressive 128 years of service between them. Managing director Gary Neill said: "As a local company, we always do our utmost to provide the best possible service and highest standards of care to families who need our assistance.

"Through these awards, Daniel Robinson & Sons are pleased to recognise the dedication of our staff and the valuable contribution they make to our company."

Awards for best practice

RESPONSIBLE businesses throughout Essex are being encouraged to enter a national awards programme recognising their positive impact on society.

Business In The Community's annual Awards for Excellence are regarded as the most prestigious responsibility awards in the UK and are recognised as respected benchmarks of good corporate practice.

The 16 awards categories will single out firms committed to improving their positive impact on the

community, the environment, the marketplace and the workplace, and winners will be honoured at a special gala dinner in July.

Business In The Community chief executive Julia Cleverdon said: "The search has now begun for the most inspiring examples of positive impact by companies on society.

"This year we will have a special focus on those businesses who are responding to the skills and talent challenge and helping to ensure the UK remains competitive."

Pub's ales are just beautiful

REGULARS at a Roydon pub may have suspected it all along, but now their favourite watering hole has been officially recognised by a trade body for regularly serving up the best pint in Essex.

The White Hart, in High Street, has become the first pub in the county to be awarded the coveted Beautiful Beer accolade from the British Beer And Pub Association.

The prestigious award is only given to pubs if they successfully score high marks in a rigorous pub and cellar hygiene inspection and if their beer passes the taste, clarity and temperature test.

The Greene King-owned pub scored a perfect 100 per cent in all areas – a record that only a handful of pubs nationwide can put their name to.

Landlord Jack Letherbarrow said: "This is a fantastic result. I've only been at the pub for a year and have worked hard at making sure everything I serve is of the highest quality for our customers.

"The award has confirmed I'm certainly heading in the right direction – after all, what would a pub be without a decent pint?"



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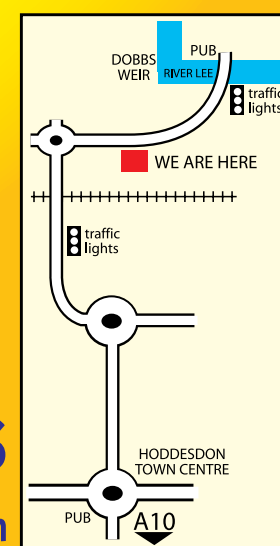
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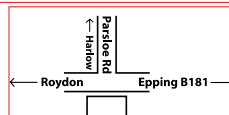
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Therapists can provide a Pilates-style core stability exercise programme which relieves spinal and joint pain, improves posture, strengthens, tones and shapes, as well as helps with breathing, easy stretching and relaxation.

Whether you are an elite sportsman or a weekend warrior, the Epping Physiotherapy Clinic is a centre of excellence offering a variety of therapists with different areas of expertise. Jim is a qualified ski and mountain instructor, Ewa

specialises in Pilates and Aikido and Steve has supplied support for a number of rugby teams, both locally and internationally. He has also completed golf injury courses.

The physio team is supported by Simon and Samantha, who have extensive experience in rugby, surfing and classical and modern dance and can offer a full body massage after a hard day's training or just to help you relax.

The clinic has a holistic approach too and clinical hypnotherapist Nicki can provide you with that extra motivation and boost of confidence. Jane is also on hand to practice Eastern acupuncture and when you want to take time out, Terri can provide fully-relaxing reflexology, Indian head massage or hot stone massage.

Also look out for Angela, one of our practitioners, who will be appearing on BBC1's *The One Show*, to be broadcast in February.

For further details of how Epping Physiotherapist Clinic can help you on the road to fitness in 2008, call (01992) 561112 or visit the clinic at 267 High Street, Epping, Essex CM16 4BP.

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- Includes ● Return coach travel
- 2 nights' B&B in the Teesside area
- A seat for the Edinburgh Tattoo
- A tour of the Yorkshire Dales
- A visit to York ● A tour manager

From **£159.00**
 Departs 1, 15 August 2008



Cheltenham Festival & Gold Cup 2008

This is your chance to experience all the magic which is the Cheltenham Festival – one of the highlights of the sporting year.

- Includes ● Return coach travel and venue transfers ● 1 nights' bed and English breakfast accommodation at a 3★ hotel ● Admission to Best Mate Enclosure on the last two days, which includes The Tote Cheltenham Gold Cup (Tattersalls available at a supplement)
- The services of a tour manager

From **£139.95**
 Departs 13 March 2008



Torquay, Eden & the 'Lost' Gardens of Heligan

Come to Cornwall and visit two of the Country's most stunning attractions!

- Includes ● Return coach travel
- 3 nights' half-board at the Rainbow International Hotel, Torquay ● Entrances to the Eden Project and the Lost Gardens of Heligan ● Visits to Buckfast Abbey and Clark's Shopping Village, Street
- The services of a Tour Manager

From **£189.00**
 Departs 28 March, 6 June, 5 September & 3 October 2008



Wimbledon HOTEL & TICKET OFFER

Enjoy the unique atmosphere of the world's premier Grand Slam tennis championships on our super value two day break.

- Includes ● One night's bed and breakfast at the three-star St. Giles Hotel, London Heathrow (or similar)
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The Emerald Isle Flying direct from Stansted

Join us for a wonderful holiday to a land of infinite wonders, variety and Gaelic charm.

- Includes ● Return flights to Ireland direct from Stansted ● Airport to hotel transfers ● 5 nights B&B at the 3★ Lakeside Hotel, Killaloe ● Excursions to Lough Derg, Galway Bay, the Cliffs of Moher and the Burren ● The services of a representative

From **£279.00**
 Departs March to October 2008



Beamish & the World's Oldest Existing Railway

Enjoy a treasure trove of industrial heritage and the steam-hauled Tanfield Railway dating back to 1725!

- Includes ● Return coach travel ● 2 nights' half-board accommodation at the St. Georges Hotel, Darlington (or similar)
- Admission to the Beamish Open Air Museum ● A ride on the Tanfield Railway
- A visit to Durham ● A Tour Manager

From **£149.95**
 Departs 4 Apr, 30 May, 18 Jul & 5 Sept '08



4★ Murder Mystery Weekend

Sharpen up your sleuthing skills on this murderously good weekend!

- Includes ● Return coach travel
- 1 night's bed & full English breakfast at the 4★ Hinckley Island Hotel
- 3 course evening meal ● A 'Murder Mystery' night ● A visit to Stratford on Avon ● The services of a Tour Manager

From **£99.95**
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Sicily

Flying from Stansted

Warm waters, ancient treasures and snow-capped Etna make this one of the Mediterranean's most fascinating holiday locations.

- Includes ● Return flights to Palermo from Stansted ● Return airport to hotel transfers ● 7 nights' B&B at the 3★ Hotel Torre Artale, near Trabia (a full range of other 3 & 4★ hotels & the resort of Taormina available at supplements)
- A Tour Manager in resort

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 Departs May to October 2008



Emmerdale & the Best of Yorkshire

Here's a break that combines the very best of Yorkshire's stunning scenery, with included tours of 'Emmerdale Country'.

- Includes ● Return coach travel
- 2 nights' dinner, B&B at the Bradford Novotel ● Tours of Emmerdale Country, Last of the Summer Wine Country and the Yorkshire Dales
- A visit to York ● The services of a Tour Manager

From **£125.00**
 Departs 25 Apr & 19 Sept 2008



4★ London Theatre Breaks HOTEL & TICKET OFFER!

All the magic of London's Theatreland, plus a night in a luxury hotel!

- Includes ● 1 night at the 4★ Thistle City Barbican hotel or (for a supplement) a choice of 2 other 4★ central London hotels
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Simply make your own way to the hotel and to the theatre in time for the show.
 From **£59.00**
 Departs every Friday & Saturday from Feb to May 2008



Poreč Croatia's Adriatic Jewel Flying from Stansted

Join us just across the Adriatic from Venice in the stunning Italian influenced Croatian resort of Poreč.

- Includes ● Return flights to Pula direct from Stansted ● Return airport to hotel transfers ● 7 nights' half board accommodation at the 3★ Zagreb Hotel (hotel upgrades available for a supplement) ● Tour Manager in resort

From **£299.00**
 Departs 1 July & 21 October 2008



Buckingham Palace & Clarence House

- Includes ● Return coach travel
- 1 night's B&B at the central London Thistle City Barbican Hotel ● Admission to Buckingham Palace, which includes The State Banquet exhibition ● A guided tour of Clarence House ● A short Royal London sightseeing tour
- A visit to Royal Windsor (Castle admission available at a supplement)
- The services of a Tour Manager

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Alnwick Garden

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Here's your chance to visit one of the most remarkable garden transformations of recent times.

Includes ● Return coach travel
● 2 night's half-board accommodation at the King's Head Hotel, Darlington
● Entrance to Alnwick Garden ● A visit to York ● A Tour Manager

From **£139.00**
Departs 9 May & 20 June 2008



Flying from Stansted

Slovenian Alps, Lake Bled & the Adriatic

Experience the very best of both countries on this two-centre holiday.

Includes ● Return flights to Pula from Stansted ● Airport to hotel transfers
● 3 nights' half-board at the 3★ Hotel Bohinj, Lake Bohinj, Slovenia ● 4 nights' half-board at the 3★ Albona Hotel, Rabac, Croatia ● Visits to Lake Bled and Postojna Cave ● Representation

From **£419.00**
Departs 1 July & 21 October 2008



Eastertime at Disneyland® Resort Paris

Have a magical, fun-packed Easter at Europe's Happiest Place!

Includes ● Return coach travel and Eurotunnel crossings ● 2 nights' B&B at a 3★ hotel within easy reach of Disneyland® Resort Paris ● 1 day pass to Disneyland® Park or Walt Disney Studios® Park ● A Representative

Adults From **£135.00** Kids From **£99.00**
Departs 22 March 2008



Easter in the Black Forest

Fairytale villages, crystal-clear lakes, pine and birch blanketed mountains and cuckoo clock-makers are just some of the treats that await you on this great value break.

Includes ● Return coach travel and channel crossings ● One night's en-route accommodation in the Liege area
● 3 nights' B&B at a family-run hotel in the Black Forest ● Visits to Namur and Strasbourg ● Tour Manager services

From **£149.95**
Departs 21 March 2008



Sorrento & the Bay of Naples

Flying from Stansted

Join us in one of Europe's most spectacular corners, a stunning coastline of colourful towns, glorious views and the warm Mediterranean.

Includes ● Return flights to Naples from Stansted ● Return airport to hotel transfers ● 7 nights' B&B at the 3★ Villa Angelina, Sorrento (other hotels offering half-board are available at a supplement) ● A representative

From **£329.00**
Departs May to October 2008



The John Smith's Grand National

Be there for the Drama and Excitement this year!

Includes ● Return coach travel
● 2 nights' B&B at a good 3★ hotel in the Manchester area ● Admission to the Steeplechase Enclosure at Aintree (Tattersalls upgrade available at a supplement) ● A short visit to Chester ● The services of a Tour Manager

From **£135.00**
Departs 4 April 2008



Monet's Garden Rouen & Paris

A visit to the Impressionist painter's house and restored gardens in the charming Normandy village of Giverny is the wonderful highlight of this popular tour.

Includes ● Return coach travel & Channel crossings ● 3 nights B&B at the 3★ Mercure Hotel, Maurepas ● A visit to Giverny including admission to Monet's House & Gardens ● A visit to Rouen & Paris ● Tour Manager services

From **£149.95**
Departs 2 May, 13 June, 18 July & 29 August 2008



Lake Garda

Flying from Stansted

Rest and relaxation or exciting exploration in one of Italy's most charming settings!

Includes ● Return flights to Italy direct from Stansted ● Return airport to hotel transfers ● 7 nights' bed and breakfast accommodation at the 3★ El Condor Hotel (upgrade hotels and resorts are available at a supplement) ● The services of a Tour Manager in resort

From **£269.00**
Departs April to October 2008



Portmeirion & Welsh Mountain Steam Rail

Enjoy a break in beautiful North Wales! Scenic beauty and steam-hauled nostalgia.

Includes ● Return coach travel ● Three nights' half-board accommodation at the Westminster Hotel ● Entrance to Portmeirion ● Single journeys on the Conwy Valley Railway & Ffestiniog Railway ● A Tour Manager

From **£179.00**
Departs 18 Apr, 30 May, 11 Jul, 5 Sept & 10 Oct 2008



Rails, Peaks and Fells

Enjoy scenic wonders and nostalgia on two railway journeys.

Includes ● Return coach travel
● 2 nights' half-board accommodation at the Britannia Hotel, Bolton (or similar)
● Rail tickets from Settle to Carlisle & Bridgnorth to Kidderminster ● Tour of the Lake District ● Visits to Royal Wedgwood & Spode ● A Tour Manager

From **£149.95**
Departs 25 April, 20 June, 25 July & 26 September 2008



Scenic Splendours of the Dordogne

Flying from Stansted

Discover a land of sunshine, history and renowned gastronomy.

Includes ● Return flights to France from Stansted ● Return airport to hotel transfers ● 5 nights' B&B at the 3★ Hotel de Bordeaux in Bergerac
● A guided walking tour of Bergerac
● A tour of the Château & Monbazillac with wine tasting ● The services of a Tour Manager in resort

From **£239.00**
Departs May to Jun & Sept to Oct '08



Steam & the Cotswolds

Enjoy all the romance and nostalgia of steam on this fantastic weekend break which includes TWO superb train journeys.

Includes ● Return coach travel ● One night's half-board accommodation at a good hotel in the Midlands area ● A single journey from Birmingham to Stratford on the Shakespeare Express
● A 10 mile trip on the Gloucestershire Warwickshire Railway ● A Tour Manager

From **£95.00**
Departs 2, 30 Aug & 6 Sept '08



The 50th Spalding Flower Parade

Combine a visit to see the 50th Spalding Flower Parade with a visit to Geoff Hamilton's famous gardens at Barnsdale.

Includes ● Return coach travel ● Two nights' half-board at a good hotel in the Midlands area ● Entrance to Springfields Country Fair and Geoff Hamilton's Barnsdale ● Visits to Stratford-on-Avon and the Spalding Flower Parade ● A Tour Manager

From **£149.95**
Departs 2 May 2008



Killarney & the Ring of Kerry

Flying from Stansted

Experience one of Ireland's most unspoilt regions.

Includes ● Return flights to Ireland direct from Stansted ● Airport to hotel transfers ● 4 nights' B&B at the 4★ Manor West Hotel in Tralee ● Tour of the Ring of Kerry ● Trip to the Lakes of Killarney ● Visit of Muckross House in Killarney National Park ● Tour manager

From **£289.00**
Departs Apr to June, Sept & Oct '08



Isle of Man 'Jewel of the Irish Sea'

A magical, unspoilt part of Britain, with breathtaking scenery, stunning beaches and a pace of life that's unique.

Includes ● Return coach travel and ferry crossings ● 3 nights' half-board accommodation at the 3★ Royal Hotel in Port Erin, with entertainment on 2 evenings ● 2 round the Island tours (one full-day, one half-day) ● Entrance to Cregneash Folk Village, Grove House and the Laxey Wheel ● A Tour Manager

From **£289.00**
Departs 11 April & 3 October '08



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An ideal opportunity to join Daniel and special guest Mary Duff in concert at The Blackpool Opera House! Includes ● 1 night's B&B at a good quality hotel in the Lancashire area ● A stalls or circle ticket for Daniel's concert at The Blackpool Opera House ● Return transfers ● A visit to the McArthurGlen Designer Outlet in Cheshire ● Tour manager services

From **£139.00**
Departs 26 April 2008



Balmoral & the Highlands of Scotland

Flying from Stansted

Enjoy Scotland's stunning scenery and fascinating history. Includes ● Return flights to Edinburgh from Stansted ● 5 nights' half-board at the Highlander Hotel, Swallow Craiglynn Hotel or the Grant Arms Hotel ● Entrance to Balmoral Castle ● Visit to Cawdor Castle (entrance payable locally) ● A tour of Royal Deeside ● Visits to Loch Ness, Inverness, Aviemore & a whisky distillery ● The services of a tour manager

From **£379.00**
Departs April to July 2008



Dirty Dancing

HOTEL & TICKET OFFER

Experience the classic story live on stage & stay in a 4★ London hotel! Includes ● 1 night's B&B at the 4★ Thistle City Barbican Hotel (upgrade hotels available at a supplement) ● Ticket for Dirty Dancing at the Aldwych Theatre (ticket upgrades at a supplement) Make your own way to the hotel & the theatre. Extra night at the hotel available from just £33 - £83 pp dependent on hotel booked. Package prices from £89 pp to £160 dependent on date, ticket category & hotel chosen.

From **£95.00**
Departs 26 Apr & 20 Sept 2008



Railways of Yorkshire's Dales & Moors

Enjoy two memorable rail journeys on this super, scenic weekend! Includes ● Return coach travel ● 2 nights' half board at the King's Head Hotel, Darlington ● Single journey from Pickering to Grosmont on the North Yorks Moor Railway ● A single journey on the Wensleydale Railway ● Visits to Richmond, Harrogate and York ● The services of a Tour Manager

From **£149.95**
Departs 6 June & 19 September '08



Beautiful Provence

Flying from Stansted

A vineyard-covered landscape, dotted with breathtaking hilltop villages and medieval fortified cities. Includes ● Return flights to France direct from Stansted ● Return airport to resort transfers ● 5 nights' B&B at the 3★ Pierre and Vacances Aparthotel ● A walking tour of Aix-en-Provence ● A guided tour of Avignon ● The services of a representative

From **£329.00**
Departs Apr to Jun, Aug to Oct '08



Rhine in Flames

RIVER FIREWORK SPECTACULAR!

An exciting carnival and spectacular fireworks over the mighty Rhine! Includes ● Return coaching & Channel crossings ● 3 nights B&B at the Mosella Tanzburg (or similar) ● Visits to Cochem & Koblenz including the 'Rhine in Flames' Firework Display ● A Tour Manager

From **£139.95**
Departs 8 August 2008



Tall Ships Race

in Holland '08

Join us next August as over 100 of the world's most beautiful sailing ships set sail from the Dutch port of Den Helder

Includes ● Return coach travel and ferry crossings ● 2 nights' B&B at a good hotel within 90 minutes of Den Helder ● A full day in Den Helder for the Parade of Sail ● A Tour Manager

From **£129.00**
Departs 22 August 2008



Capri, Pompeii and the Amalfi Coast

Flying from Stansted

Enjoy a wonderful week in the fabled Neapolitan Riviera!

Includes ● Return flights to Naples direct from Stansted ● Airport to hotel transfers ● 7 nights' half-board at the 3★ Hotel Delle Palme in Sant' Agata (4★ Hotel Carlton available at a supplement) ● 3 escorted excursions, to Pompeii, Capri and Amalfi Drive ● A tour manager

From **£569.00**
Departs May to October 2008



Murder on the Severn Valley Steam Railway

There's a murderer on the train, and it's up to you and your fellow guests to find out "whodunit?"

Includes ● Coach travel throughout ● Murder Mystery, 3 course dinner & return trip from Kidderminster to Bridgnorth on the Severn Valley Steam Railway ● 1 night's B&B at a 3★ hotel in the Midlands area ● A visit to Worcester ● A Tour Manager

Departs 16 May
& 26 Sept '08 from **£129.00**



Cannes & the French Riviera

Flying from Stansted

Join us on this wonderful value holiday to the fabled Côte d'Azur. Includes ● Return flights to Nice from Stansted ● Return airport to hotel transfers ● 5 nights' B&B at the 3★ Hotel Montaigne, Cannes ● A half-day excursion along the Côte d'Azur to St Tropez and St Raphael ● The services of a representative

From **£279.00**
Departs Mar to Jul, Sept to Nov '08



Florence & the Rolling Hills of Tuscany

Flying from Stansted

Explore Italy's stunning heartland, visit the great Renaissance capital. Includes ● Return flights to Rome direct from Stansted ● Return airport to hotel transfers ● 5 nights' B&B at the 3★ Carlton Elite Hotel in Chianciano Terme ● A full day in Florence ● The services of a Tour Manager in resort

From **£319.00**
Departs Apr to Jul, Sept & Oct '08



Croatian Highlights & a Taste of Slovenia

Includes ● Return flights to Pula from Stansted ● Return airport to hotel transfers ● 7 nights' half board accommodation at the 3★ Rubin Hotel (4★ Diamant Hotel is available for a supplement) ● Escorted excursions including a drive across the Istrian peninsula, the lakes in the Plitvice National Park, Lim Fjord, Pula, Veil Brijuni Island, Slovenia and Lipica ● Tour Manager in resort

From **£479.00**
Departs 1 July & 21 October 2008



Easter at the Crossroads of Europe

Here's your chance to visit four countries in one fantastic break! Includes ● Return coach travel and channel crossings ● 4 nights' B&B at a good standard hotel in the Metz area of France, such as the Campanile Metz Woippy ● Visit to Bruges ● The services of a Tour Manager in resort

From **£139.95**
Departs 21 March 2008



Prague, Vienna & Budapest

Flying from Stansted

Join us as we explore some of Europe's greatest and most beautiful cities. Includes ● Return flights to Prague direct from Stansted ● 7 nights' B&B at 3★ hotels in Prague (3nts), Budapest (2) & a 4★ hotel in Vienna (2) ● Guided tours of Prague, Budapest & Vienna ● A visit to Bratislava ● Coach travel, hotel transfers & representative services whilst on tour

From **£439.00**
Departs Mar to Jul, Sept & Oct '08



Eden & the Lost Gardens of Heligan by Air

Includes ● Return flights to Newquay direct from Stansted ● Airport transfers and coach travel in Cornwall ● 3 nights' dinner, B&B at the friendly, family-run Priory Lodge Hotel in Newquay ● Entrance to the Eden project ● Entrance to the 'Lost' Gardens of Heligan ● A visit to Padstow ● Entertainment on at least one evening ● A Tour Manager

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Departs Apr to Jun, Sept & Oct '08



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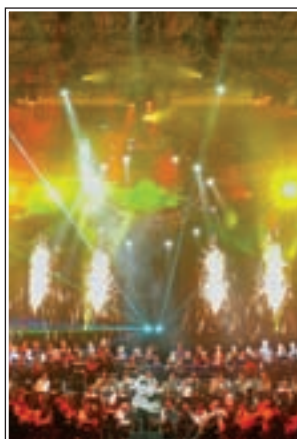


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Classical Spectacular at the Royal Albert Hall

Enjoy Raymond Gubbay's unique evening of music, lights and lasers!

Includes ● Return coach travel ● 1 night's B&B at a 3★ hotel in London such as the Days Hotel, Waterloo ● Choir seat for the Classical Spectacular concert (upgrades are available) ● Visit to central London for shopping and sightseeing ● The services of a Tour Manager

From **£79.95**
Departs 16 March 2008



5★ Luxury Weekend in Brussels by Eurostar

Enjoy the wonderful blend of historic and modern in the gastronomic capital of Europe combined with the luxury of a five-star hotel!

Includes ● Return standard class Eurostar travel from London St Pancras or Ebbsfleet International to Brussels Midi with designated seat reservations ● Two nights' B&B at the 5★ Hilton Brussels Hotel, including use of fitness centre and sauna facilities

From **£159.00**
Departs May to Oct 2008



The Magic of Switzerland Flying from Stansted

Join us in this stunning land of breathtaking Alpine scenery, clear mountain air and enchanting towns and villages.

Includes ● Return flights to Geneva direct from Stansted ● Return airport to resort transfers ● 6 nights' B&B at the Hotel Roc et Neige in Chateau d'Oex ● Visits to Gruyères and Montreux ● A Tour Manager in resort

From **£329.00**
Departs April to October 2008



Edinburgh, Loch Lomond & the Highlands of Scotland

Enjoy the very best of Scotland's stunning scenery!

Includes ● Return flights to Edinburgh ● 5 nights' half-board accommodation at the Covenanters Inn (2 nights) & the Grant Arms or Swallow Craiglynn Hotel (3 nts) ● Loch Lomond cruise ● Visits to Stirling, Aviemore, Edinburgh & Blair Castle* ● Tours of Loch Ness, the Trossachs, Spey Valley & a whisky distillery ● Coach travel & tour manager (*entrance payable locally)

From **£379.00**
Departs Apr to Jun, Sept & Oct '08



Scenic Splendours of the Dordogne Flying from Stansted

Discover a land of sunshine, history and renowned gastronomy.

Includes ● Return flights to France from Stansted ● Return airport to hotel transfers ● 5 nights' B&B at the 3★ Hotel de Bordeaux in Bergerac ● A guided walking tour of Bergerac ● A tour of the Château at Monbazillac with wine tasting ● The services of a Tour Manager in resort

From **£279.00**
Departs May to Jun, Sept & Oct '08



Austrian Tyrol & Garda Flying from Stansted

Join us and enjoy three days in Italy and four days in the Austrian Tyrol!

Includes ● Return flights from Stansted to Verona ● Return airport to hotel transfers ● Travel between Lake Garda & the Tyrol ● 3 nights' half-board at the 3★ Hotel Sole, Malcesine, Lake Garda ● 4 nights' half-board at the 3★ Sport Hotel Edelweiss, Götzens, Tyrol ● The services of a Tour Manager

From **£439.00**
Departs April to October 2008



Highland Railways by Air

Experience this land of history, romance and breathtaking beauty.

Includes ● Return flights to Edinburgh direct from Stansted ● 4 nights' half-board accommodation at the Highlander Hotel, Newtonmore or the Fishers Hotel, Pitlochry ● Journey from Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness, journey on the famous West Highland Line & a trip on the Strathspey Steam Railway ● Coach touring, airport transfers & tour manager

From **£369.00**
Departs Apr to Jun, Sept & Oct '08



Paris Easter Spectacular

Treat yourself to this great-value Easter Bank Holiday Break for a wonderful weekend of stunning sights and incomparable atmosphere in the world's favourite city.

Includes ● Return coach travel and Channel crossings ● 2 nights' B&B at a Paris area 3★ hotel ● Central Paris coach transfers on 2 days ● A Montmartre excursion ● Tour Manager

From **£109.00**
Departs 22 March 2008



Longleat

Forget Africa – here's your chance to visit Longleat Safari Park, as featured on the hugely popular BBC TV series 'Animal Park'. Enjoy some incredibly close encounters with giraffes, zebras, monkeys and lions from the comfort of the coach.

Includes ● Return coach travel ● One half-board in a comfortable hotel in the Swindon area ● Entrance to Longleat Safari Park ● A visit to Bath ● The services of a Tour Manager

From **£89.95**
Departs 17 May, 21 Jun, 27 Sept '08



Treasures of Croatia Flying from Stansted

This fascinating voyage of discovery includes such highlights as Plitvice's stunning lakes and historic Mostar.

Includes ● Return flights to Pula from Stansted ● Return airport to hotel transfers ● 7 nights' half-board accommodation 3★ hotels ● Coach touring ● Guided tours of all major locations ● Representative services

From **£499.00**
Departs 6 May



Châteaux of the Loire Valley & Versailles

● Return flights to Paris direct from Luton ● Return airport to hotel transfers ● Coach travel as described ● 1 night's B&B at the 2★ Campanile Paris Est ● 4 nights' B&B at the 3★ Mercure Tours Nord ● A visit to the Palace of Versailles ● A visit to the Châteaux of Chenonceau ● The services of a Tour Manager in resort

From **£339.00**
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Exhibition is preserving town's heritage of trees



By
JIM TANFIELD

MEMBERS of a Harlow art group have branched out to share their view of local nature through a new exhibition.

Serendipity Art Group, which meets at Old Harlow's Arts and Recreation Centre, off Market Street, has launched its exhibition *Celebrating Harlow's Trees* at the Gibberd Gallery, in the Civic Centre.

Fifteen exhibitors have contributed 50 paintings, etches and drawings of trees growing in the town. The group's leading light Alan Burgess, himself a well-known artist of our nation's arboreal delights, oversaw his pupils' progress with the exhibition. He toured an exhibition nationally three years ago called *The Best 50 Trees In England*.

Group member Moira Jones said: "All sorts of media were used in the creation of the works. My contribution was five trees from around my Bishopsfield home; what with all the talk of building on our green spaces, it seems preserving them in paintings was a very timely thing to do."

She added: "There are some lovely trees around Harlow; some of the oak and birch are stunning. "Due to when they were planted for the New Town, they are just coming into full maturity and really are at their best right now - we are indeed lucky to have such beautiful examples."

The exhibition runs until February 9, is free to enter and is open weekdays from 9am-5.30pm and Saturday from 9am-noon.



IN THE WOODS TODAY: Jackie Chakravati with a piece of her work

(photo: RYRVS7SC/04)

arts diary

PHOTOGRAPHY: Photographer Colin Westgate gives his presentation *My Favourite Places* to Harlow Photographic Society tonight (Thursday) at Moot Hall, The Stow, at 7.45pm. The talk costs £1 to attend and full details are on the society's website at www.harlowphotoclub.org.uk.

MUSIC: Epping Music Society is hosting an evening of voice, violin and piano recitals at Friends' Meeting House, in Hemnall Street, on Monday. The evening starts at 8pm and costs £10 for non-members.

MUSIC: Epping Church Choirs' Association is performing its free winter concert at St John's Church at 7.30pm on Saturday week. Conducted by Simon Winters, the performance includes Mozart's *Vesperae Solennes de Confessore*, Britten's *Rejoice In The Lamb* and Elgar's *Te Deum* and *Benedictus*.

ART: The Gallery at Parndon Mill's free *Flowers In Winter* exhibition, showcasing resident artists' paintings, ceramics, glass and sculpture, continues off Elizabeth Way, Harlow, until February 17.

MUSIC: Elvis, The Big O and Buddy Holly all have their doubles performing at The Playhouse next Thursday in the tribute of the *Golden Age Rockin' On Heaven's Door*. Tickets for the 8pm show are priced £17.50 and are available from the box office on (01279) 431945.

MUSIC: The 40th anniversary concert of the popular Syd Lawrence Orchestra is sure to get fans of swing in the mood. Glenn Miller and Count Basie's numbers are included in The Playhouse concert on January 27. The show starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £14 from (01279) 431945.

Theatre school open in Epping

THE chance for young talents of tomorrow to take part in professionally produced theatre has come to Epping in the shape of a new academy.

Academy Arts is a fee-paying youth organisation for those aged from 10-24 and is opening a branch in St John's School, Tower Road.

Singing, dancing and acting auditions will be held at the school on February 2 and 16 at 11am.

Joint proprietors Caroline Hurst and Nina French have more than 30 years of experience, both as teachers and West End performers.

Mrs Hurst said: "We are extremely excited at the prospect of opening this new school and finding the talent of Epping's youth to train under the supervision of West End performers, choreographers, directors and musicians to create spectacular productions."

For more information, visit www.academyarts.co.uk.

Support grows nationally for unique music system

THE Tobin Music System, developed by Sawbridgeworth's Candida Tobin as an entertaining and instructive way to teach composing to children, continues to gather support.

The influential *Music Opinion* magazine has covered the multi-sensory method of teaching the rudiments of music, harmonisation and composition, and a teacher in the Midlands who uses it has praised the ease by which it can be taught via the *Daily Telegraph's* letters column.

Candida (81), of Knight Street, has produced a DVD at the request of Glasgow MP John Robertson to spread her method, developed in the 1960s.

Bird's Bush Primary in Tamworth is the Tobin Centre for excellence and its specialist

music teacher Julie Hall urged people to see for themselves "just how effective" it is.

Her letter was in response to remarks by Ed Balls, Secretary of State for Children, Schools and Families, about the crisis in music education. "Classroom teachers are astounded at how easy it is to teach in this way and love to see how the children respond," wrote Mrs Hall.

Candida is holding a taster afternoon course at The Old Malthouse, in Knight Street, next month and encouraged primary and secondary teachers to visit and experience the system for themselves.

It is on February 13 from 2pm-5pm and those interested can register on (01279) 726625.

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The beast of times and the very worst of times



SNACK ATTACK: The new hybrid creature whets its appetite in **ALIENS VS PREDATOR: REQUIEM** (s)

It's battlefield Earth in the latest cash-in on the *Alien/Predator* franchises as the warring extraterrestrial killing machines leave a trail of human dead in their wake as they tear up a rural hick backwater.

When a predator crashlands his spacecraft in a Colorado forest after being attacked by the alien-predator hybrid lurking on-board from the first film, all manner of proverbial hell breaks lose.

With said crash releasing several of those unpleasant face-hugger things

ALIENS VS PREDATOR: REQUIEM
certificate 15, running time 1h26m

and the super deadly hybrid warrior, the aliens' first victims are soon claimed in what predictably transpires to be an almighty bloodbath of a film. Little does the alien-predator crossbreed realise that the deceased pilot of the ship managed to send a distress signal to his homeland before copping it – meaning it's only a matter of time before a whole host of dreadlocked, armoured nasties arrive tooled-up on Earth to see what all the fuss is about.

Meanwhile, the alien and his face-

hugger mates are not exactly making friends in the local community, stalking around impregnating expecting mothers with alien larvae and creating their own motley army of drooling, intergalactic slapheads to take on the predators.

West Side Story this most certainly is not and the rival gangs are none too fussed about despatching any humans who try to stand in their way, leaving the local sheriff and the usual bunch of anti-heroes to pull together and save the day.

Make no mistake; this is a mind-bogglingly awful film that somehow manages to surpass 2004's risible *Alien Vs Predator* in terms of its sheer

cheerless, amateurish conceptualisation.

Directorial debutantes (and boy does it show) Greg and Colin Strause seem so desperate to secure an adult rating that they manage to forget they're supposed to be directing a film – and their bid for infamy will surely suffer from the fact that most of the gruesome action scenes are shot in murky, near-total darkness.

Unintentionally hilarious and insulting to paying audiences, this should only appeal to those who like their blockbusters to be the excuses with which to eat large amounts of popcorn and canoodle excessively in the back row.



Satire gets to grips with US secret policy

CHARLIE WILSON'S WAR

certificate 15, running time 1h41m

A **SMART** and sassy satire based on the true story of the unlikely triumvirate who managed to bring down the Soviet Union, this is intelligent cinema with a stellar cast at the very top of their game.

Tom Hanks, *pictured above*, plays the eponymous hero, a marvellously louché Texan Congressman with a penchant for whiskey and women and a concern for the fate of Afghanistan under Soviet occupation.

When he stumbles across glamorous socialite Joanne Herring (Julia Roberts), a billionaire staunch anti-communist campaigner, she offers to pull some strings and set up a meeting with Pakistan's President Zia (Om Puri) so he can witness the scale of the problem in the ailing Central Asian state for himself.

Soon convinced that the US should be secretly bankrolling the Afghani resistance, laidback Lothario Wilson begins to exploit his position on the Defence Appropriations Subcommittee to raise war funds and hatches a plot with no-nonsense CIA Agent Gust Avrakotos (the peerless Philip Seymour Hoffman) to supply Russian weapons direct to the Mujahideen.

Hanks is magnificent in the titular role, seamlessly blending sleazy Southern charm, recreational drug abuse and genuine humanistic concern to create a likeable but deeply flawed hero.

With a quick-fire script and well-balanced direction courtesy of Mike Nichols, this is high-brow, scattershot satire that never forgets the underlying seriousness of its subject matter.

sound check with Chris Moss

IN a staid musical climate where atmospheric and indie have become bywords for dull Bloc Party-by-numbers mediocrity, it's heartening to stumble across a tenacious bunch of skyscraping teen arch-anthemists bent on the deconstruction of a bloated, ailing genre.

With youthful zeal and genuine passion for their art, these spiky young indie dogmatists exhibit a maturity beyond their years; all melancholy and melody rooted in the concrete desperation and broken dreams of a bleak new town adolescence.

Since forming in November 2006 the band have grown from eager but flawed apprentices to willfully intuitive indie alchemists, building up a legion of loyal fans as they gather momentum.

With an early EP, *Different Days*, scrapped just before release after the boys discovered a new direction during recording, their rapid evolution reflects an unrelenting passion for perfection and an acute understanding of the hard work ethic vital for survival in a fickle industry.



Band: New Town Pioneers
From: Harlow
Who they?: Linden Taylor (vocals/guitar), Andy Kadwill (guitar), Sean Duffy (bass), Charlie Caine (drums)
Sounds like: The Editors discovering the remarkable potential of a combined delay/tremolo pedal for the first time
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gig guide

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CHEQUERS, Market Street, Old Harlow – Soul Crusaders

FRIDAY

CROWN, Market Street, Old Harlow – The Beatniks

SHARK, Hobtoe Road, Harlow – Jamie Harlow Cricket Club, Chippingfield, Old Harlow – The Untouchables Chicago Blues Band

SATURDAY

SHARK, Hobtoe Road, Harlow – Undercover

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CD reviews by Ben Wilkinson, Jim

LUCK & ACCIDENT

Kim Novak (album, Talitres)

Although relatively unknown this side of the Channel, austere French four-piece Kim Novak nevertheless invade the subconscious with an unnerving hum of familiarity and an intuitive ear for melody. This is smoky, down-and-out in Rouen cabaret pop with Bryan Ferry propping up the bar; all self-deprecating, scattergun misery and mirth rooted in smart post-punk sensibility à la Interpol – yet these lounge lizards are far from formulaic fashionistas. Witness the sinister *Crash* and *On My Back* and you'll realise there's more poise than posture to this brooding minor masterpiece.

BEAUTIFUL BURNOUT

Underworld (single, Underworldlive)

More than a decade after they had us all shouting for “lager, lager, lager” while watching Renton slide into a personal drugs hell, Rick Smith and Karl Hyde are still churning out choons to make your brain feel all funny. This exhilarating second single to be taken from their acclaimed *Oblivion With Bells* album is all edgy, shape-shifting hypnosis with oblique, sinister grooves that'll even get Gran sporadically shuffling her feet.

also showing

DAN IN REAL LIFE. Dull romantic comedy with Steve Carell as a widower holding a candle for his brother's girlfriend.

I AM LEGEND. After a plague wipes out most of humanity and turns the rest into vampires, the sole survivor tries to find a cure.

P.S. I LOVE YOU. A young widow discovers her beloved late husband has left her 10 messages intended to help ease her pain and start a new life.

ST TRINIAN'S. British girls school romp based on the earlier, far superior films.

ENCHANTED. A fairytale transfers to New York in this well-received children's comedy.

BEE MOVIE. CG animation concerning a bee who befriends humans and tries to stop them using his friends' honey.

THE GOLDEN COMPASS. A young girl sets out to save kidnapped children from a mysterious parallel universe.

ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS. A songwriter finds success when a trio of singing chipmunks move in.

TMNT. The continued adventures of the four mutated turtles gifted in the art of the ninja.

HAPPILY N'EVER AFTER. When a young fairytale character realises her stepmother is out to ruin her storybook existence, she takes a dramatic turn and blossoms into the leader of the resistance effort.

SURF'S UP. Animated tale of the annual Penguin World Surfing Championship, focusing on its newest participant, up-and-coming starlet Cody Maverick.

preview

SWEENEY TODD. Part gothic horror, part macabre musical based on the hit Broadway show which tells the story of infamous barbarous barber Benjamin Barker, aka Sweeney Todd (Johnny Depp), who provides the local pie shop with some unusual ingredients.

monday classic

RAZZLE DAZZLE. So-so Australian mockumentary on the world of amateur dance with a talented but criminally underplayed cast.

sudoku answers

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Tanfield and Chris Moss

NOT ABOUT A GIRL OR A PLACE

Jonah Matranga (single, Xtra Mile)

Not to be confused with teen TV starlet Hannah Montana, although this could easily be a theme tune for a similar show. Fairly uninspiring spring-break-in-the-Hamptons stuff.

HAVING A BALL

One More Grain (single, White Heat)

Having already reviewed One More Grain's album, there are few wry put-downs left to describe this outfit. They describe their music as "sounds of brass, narrative vocal, skewed rhythms and atmospheric drones", which seems to sum this single up nicely.

MOVING TO NEW YORK

The Wombats (single, 14th Floor)

Guitar pop with a punk edge at its very finest, this is the sort of single that could make you buy the whole album without a thought. A word of warning though, it is by some margin the best track on *A Guide To Love, Loss And Desperation*.

Paul Newman reviews a selection of the latest releases on DVD

Highway to hell

DEATH PROOF

(Momentum Pictures, 18, retail & rental)

Quentin Tarantino's *Death Proof* was originally conceived as one half of the '70s-style exploitation cinema double bill *Grindhouse*, complete with fake trailers, adverts and all the pops and scratches you'd expect from a print which had been doing the rounds of the fleapit circuit for years.

Sadly, a poor first week in the States saw the Weinstein brothers lose their bottle and pull the film, separating its component parts – the second was the gooey zombie action of Robert Rodriguez's *Planet Terror* – for two stand-alone releases. What a shame.

Nevertheless, it's pleasing to report that *Death Proof* is everything fans of trash hoped it might be, a sleazy hi-octane thriller starring Kurt Russell as the psychotic Stuntman Mike who takes his custom-tooled Dodge Challenger out onto the highways to stalk and kill young women.

Tarantino calls this his slasher movie only with the killer using a vehicle instead of a kitchen knife, but what you've actually got are a lot of lovely ladies to look at, some interminable dollops of his trademark dialogue in which characters bang on endlessly about pop culture, a killer soundtrack and, most importantly, some seat-of-the-pants white-knuckle action sequences referencing movies as cool as *Gone In 60 Seconds* and *Vanishing Point*.

Russell inhabits Mike like he was born for the part, but surprisingly gets a close run in the macho charisma stakes from professional Kiwi stuntwoman Zoë Bell (Uma Thurman's body double in the *Kill Bill* movies) playing herself. Somebody should give her a lot more starring roles – she handles the acting requirements like a pro alongside the likes of Rosario Dawson and Rose McGowan, has great comic timing, is seriously hot and pulls off the action set-pieces to perfection when she and her girlfriends tangle with the deranged driver and decide to give him a taste of his own medicine.

It'd be a blast to see this in its original, shorter glory sans padding (and the BBFC has just this week granted a certificate for the original *Grindhouse* pairing, which is great news), but it's still a hoot and, in many ways, is QT's most out-and-out entertaining film since *Pulp Fiction*.

This two-disc set is curiously missing a commentary but does have a lot of featurettes in which the director babbles on about his love of exploitation movies, as well as profiles of Bell, Russell, the film's stunt drivers, editor Sally Menke, trailers and a poster gallery.

Star rating: ★★★★★

THE WALKER

(Pathé Distribution, 12, retail & rental)

Bearing comparison to *Midnight In The Garden of Good And Evil*, writer/director Paul (Taxi Driver) Schrader's political thriller gives Woody Harrelson a great showcase for his considerable abilities as Carter Page III, a gay social butterfly living off the gossip pollen of a circle of Washington wives.

His little hermetic world is a whirl of caustic tittle-tattle, card games and social events to which he escorts his lady friends when their husbands can't be bothered, until his best friend Lynn (Kristin Scott Thomas) discovers her clandestine lover murdered. Helping her conceal both her relationship and role in



finding the body to avoid a scandal, Carter puts himself in the frame and can only look on in bewildered horror as his friends pull up the drawbridges one by one and leave him to the wolves.

Harrelson gives a great performance brimming with waspish Southern charm and wit, somewhere between Tennessee Williams and Truman Capote, and gets first rate support from such luminaries as Willem Dafoe, Lily Tomlin and Lauren Bacall.

Star rating: ★★★★★

GHOST SQUAD

(Network, PG, retail)

Originally airing from 1961, *Ghost Squad* is a likeably snappy espionage series from Lew Grade's ITC, starring American actor Michael Quinn as top undercover agent Nick Craig, an expert at infiltration via adopted fake identities.

Working for a hush-hush Whitehall department and answerable to his bullish boss (a hammy, one-note turn from British veteran Donald Wolfitt), Craig is a proto-Bond who uses his talents to crack a pleasing variety of crimes from gold smuggling and blackmail scams to kidnappings and murder plots.

This box set comprises all 39 episodes from the show's three series (the earlier episodes pleasingly shot on film, the remainder less impressively so on video) as well as a rag-bag of surviving material from its successor *GS5*.

Star rating: ★★

SHOOT 'EM UP

(Entertainment In Video, 18, retail & rental)

Ah, it's so refreshing to find a movie that does just what it says on the box! From an opening firefight in which seemingly innocuous bystander Mr Smith takes on a gang of armed assassins while delivering a baby from the woman in their crosshairs, the relentless pace and hurricane of flying lead seldom lets up in an orgy of

dazzlingly executed action, crass one-liners, graphic violence and thundering heavy metal.

Writer/director Michael Davis is clearly a big fan of John Woo and this outrageous, ludicrous moron movie really shouldn't work – built around, say, a Jean-Claude Van Damme or a Steven Seagal, it'd crash and burn before the opening credits have rolled.

Davis' coup – apart from his wonderfully assured tongue-in-cheek handling of the material – is in snaring Clive Owen as Smith (very much the bruised angel with a .45 he essayed in *Sin City*), Monica Belluci as a hooker who agrees to help him keep his newborn charge safe from an endless tide of hired gunmen and Paul Giamatti as their sadistic leader.

All this, and assassination by carrot – what more could you possibly want with your popcorn?

Star rating: ★★★

SICKO

(Optimum, 12, retail & rental)

Hugely successful agit prop documentary film-maker Michael Moore turns his eye on America's health system, cleverly not focusing on the obvious story of those left out but instead examining the plight of those who pay their dues only to find the various health providers using every trick in the book to wheedle their way out of paying.

It's a catalogue of despair and anguish to set your teeth grinding as he compares the stories of the cheated little people with the glad-handing politicians in the pay of the big medical firms.

But there's some light in this moral Tartarus, as Moore contrasts the US system with socialised medicine in Canada, Britain and, most poignantly, in Cuba where a group of 9/11 survivors abandoned by their own country finally get the treatment they need. For free.

Star rating: ★★★★★

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6.00 Milkshake! 9374741 **9.00** The Wright Stuff 1430925 **10.30** Trisha Goddard 3420031 **11.30** Five News 3459708 **12.00** Home And Away (R) 6765302 **12.30** RSPCA: Have You Got What It Takes? Becky and Cathy visit a horse sanctuary. (R) 4705383 **1.00** Cooking The Books (R) 4232418 **1.30** Film: Mr And Mrs Loving (1996). Powerful civil rights drama based on a true story, starring Timothy Hutton. 81815944 **3.35** Five News Update 21876234 **3.40** Film: Surviving Love (2003). Romantic comedy, starring Ted Danson and Mary Steenburgen. 3094128 **5.30** Five News; Weather 1010079 **6.00** Home And Away. Michael causes a stir at Bruce's funeral. 1000692 **6.30** Cooking The Books. Culinary show with Jeremy Edwards. 1091944

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7.00 **The ONE Show** Live topical show in which reporters including Dan Snow and Dominic Littlewood uncover the UK's most fascinating stories. 4505 **7.30** **Elephant Diaries.** Jonathan Scott observes two new arrivals from the nursery to see how they cope in the wild. Last in series. 895

7.00 **Live Snooker: The Masters.** Ray Stubbs is joined by Steve Davis and John Parrott for coverage of the remaining quarter-final at Wembley Arena, where a semi-final place and a cheque for £32,000 is guaranteed for the winner. Commentary by Clive Everton, Dennis Taylor and Willie Thorne. 5321

7.00 **Emmerdale.** Carl grows tired of never being allowed to take risks or make decisions about the business, while Zak and Lisa bring up the subject of Belle's school fees with Debbie. 9673 **7.30** **Coronation Street.** Tear-jerking episode, featuring Vera Duckworth's final moments on the Street. 963

7.00 **Channel 4 News** 7215 **7.30** **Unreported World.** Reporter Aidan Hartley and producer Andrew Carter investigate alleged human rights abuses in China. They discover the plight of those fighting against eviction from their homes to make way for Olympic infrastructure. (R) 505

7.00 **Five News** 3568302 **7.30** **Massive Speed.** Chris Barrie explores the world of hot rod racing, in which ordinary cars are customised into high-speed vehicles, originally inspired by a need for cheap yet quick transport. He looks at how the machines developed over the years. 1097128

8 PM

8.00 **EastEnders.** A few choice comments make Ronnie suspicious about Jack's past, and Dot is unnerved by the gang of kids hanging around the Square. 4875 **8.30** **Jam & Jerusalem.** The annual historical battle re-enactment is cancelled due to health and safety reasons. Sue Johnston stars. 2760

8.00 **Natural World.** Exploring Dartmoor's ancient woods and rivers. Narrated by ecologist Satish Kumar. 360437 **8.50** **Avocets – Born Survivors.** The life of the exotic wading bird, whose elaborate courtship dances have proved fascinating for those interested in wildlife. 288857

8.00 **Saving Ed Mitchell: A Tonight Special** Carol Barnes sets out to discover how her former colleague Ed Mitchell has fallen prey to alcoholism. 8321 **8.30** **Coronation Street.** Michelle fears the worst when Ryan fails to show up and struggles to contain her anger as she and Steve pay Nick a visit. 4128

8.00 **A Place In The Sun: Home Or Away.** Property experts Jonnie Irwin and Jasmine Harman provide the know-how for a Lincolnshire couple deciding if a move abroad would be good for them. They are advised to consider the problems of language before they take the plunge and relocate to Greece. 6437

8.00 **Megastructures.** The construction of the £500 million Queen Mary 2 superliner built to replace the QE2 on the 3,000-mile Southampton-to-New-York route, it is the longest, tallest and broadest passenger ship in the world. Put together at the St Nazarie shipyards in France. (R) 9517470

9 PM

9.00 **New Tricks.** An armoured security van is discovered at the bottom of a lake, and the team make a link to a disappearance 17 years ago and an unsolved killing, prompting them to re-open the case. Sandra feels she is making progress after finding the murder weapon. (R) 3963

9.00 **Extreme Pilgrim.** Peter Owen Jones follows in the footsteps of St Antony. He believed closeness to God was to be found in a life of solitude and constant prayer. The presenter tests this by crossing the Egyptian desert with a group of Bedouin to an isolated monastery. Last in series. 1505

9.00 **Moving Wallpaper.** Nancy demands to know why the show is running over budget and Jonathan's attempts to bond with the team backfire. 5692 **9.30** **Echo Beach.** A furious Dan confronts Mark and tells him to back off or he'll reveal the truth about the fateful boat accident. Jason Donovan stars. 42963

9.00 **Gordon Ramsay Cookalong Live.** The colourful chef is joined by self-confessed culinary disaster Chris Moyles in an experiment designed to prove anybody can cook a three-course dinner. Alan Carr and Max Beesley also drop in to the studio to challenge the chef with their favourite recipes. 6673

9.00 **NCIS.** A Marine colonel is killed in an explosion and the team suspect the involvement of a terrorist organisation. A lead from the CIA takes the group to a warehouse where all is not what it seems. Mark Harmon, Michael Weatherly, Pauley Perrette and David McCallum star. 9537234

10 PM

10.00 **BBC News** 836499 **10.25** **Regional News; Weather** 360166 **10.35** **Friday Night With Jonathan Ross.** Broadcaster and naturalist David Attenborough drops into the studio to discuss his latest BBC series and book Life in Cold Blood, and Ringo Starr talks about new album Liverpool 8. 312147

10.00 **QI.** Stephen Fry quizzes Alan Davies, Jo Brand, Phil Kay and Rich Hall for more interesting answers on subjects including birds, bills and brothers in the mind-boggling quiz show. (R) 13963 **10.30** **Newsnight.** Gavin Esler presents a comprehensive round-up of the day's events. 99383

10.00 **Al Murray's Happy Hour.** Ben Miller of comedy double act Armstrong and Miller joins the fun with the Pub Landlord and talks about his role in the new ITV1 spoof soap Moving Wallpaper. Scouting for Girls provide the music. 8418

10.00 **The Best Of The Friday Night Project.** Compilation of highlights from the award-winning variety show, featuring a selection of guest hosts, plus comedy sketches and hidden-camera stunts. 8664963

10.00 **Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.** Detectives investigate the case of an elderly woman suffering from Alzheimer's who has broken into an apartment. Discovering she has been abused, they learn she was released from care to the custody of her financially scheming son. (R) 9530321

11 PM

11.35 **Damages** Ellen convinces Katie to testify against Arthur Frobisher. (R) 258760 **12.25** **Film: Outrageous Fortune (1987).** A porn star and a drama student discover they are being two-timed by the same man. Sparky comedy thriller, starring Bette Midler. 976971 **2.00** **Film: Hercules In New York (1969).** Comic adventure, starring Arnold Schwarzenegger; Weatherview 336426 **3.35** **Sign Zone: Arrange Me A Marriage** Matchmaking for a 42-year-old receptionist. Last in series. (R) 3624659 **4.35** **BBC News 24** 9333567

11.00 **Newsnight Review;** Weather 815079 **11.35** **Snooker: The Masters.** Ray Stubbs introduces highlights of this evening's quarter-final at Wembley Arena. Commentary by Clive Everton. 256302 **12.25** **Snooker Extra.** Ray Stubbs introduces action from day six of the Masters at Wembley Arena. 266451 **2.25** **Star Trek: The Next Generation.** Riker is critically injured. (R) 1722155 **3.10** **Star Trek: The Next Generation.** The crew encounter an orphaned alien creature. (R) 7747364 **3.55** **BBC News 24** 2525890

11.00 **The Late News And Weather; Weather** 893857 **11.40** **Heist.** New series. Crime thriller, starring Dougray Scott. 976654 **12.40** **Nightwatch With Steve Scott: Emergency** Documentary following fire crews and paramedics. 761616 **2.25** **Film: Kaleidoscope (1966).** Comedy, starring Warren Beatty as a hot-shot card-sharp who agrees to go on a secret government mission to keep himself out of jail. 9190155 **3.55** **ITV Nightscreen** 875451 **5.30** **ITV Morning News** 31600

11.10 **Jack Dee Live.** The comedian performs at the Hammersmith Apollo. 519893 **12.15** **4Music: Smirnoff Experience: Moscow.** Featuring performances by Mark Ronson, Kelis and Faithless. 86722 **12.45** **4Music: JD Set Presents Lightspeed Champion.** A performance by Lightspeed Champion. 5335161 **1.00** **4Music: 4Play: The Courteneers** 7838548 **1.15** **Goalissimo** 804168 **2.15** **World Cup Snowboard** 781203 **4.10** **Richard & Judy** (R) 2621600 **5.10** **Countdown** (R) 1125432 **5.55** **Inuk** (R) 6338890

11.00 **Law & Order: Criminal Intent.** The team are called to investigate the killing of a man by religious cultists who believe the victim is the son of a woman with psychic powers. Bobby Cannavale guest stars. (R) 4242895 **12.00** **Quiz Call.** Game show giving viewers the chance to phone in and answer questions for cash prizes. 16240971 **5.10** **Wildlife SOS.** The work of volunteers treating sick and orphaned animals at a wildlife sanctuary. (R) 63475567 **5.35** **Wildlife SOS.** The work of volunteers at an animal sanctuary. (R) 67704567

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6.00 Cruise With Stelios: Mediterranean **6.30** Cruise With Stelios: Mediterranean **7.00** Lion Man **7.30** Are You Smarter Than A 10 Year Old? **8.30** Lion Man **9.00** Lost **10.00** Stargate SG-1 **11.00** Stargate SG-1 **12.00** Are You Smarter Than A 10 Year Old? **1.00** Lion Man **1.30** Lion Man **2.00** Lost **3.00** Stargate SG-1 **4.00** Stargate SG-1 **5.00** Are You Smarter Than A 10 Year Old? **6.00** Futurama **6.30** Malcolm In The Middle **7.00** The Simpsons **7.30** The Simpsons **8.00** Are You Smarter Than A 10 Year Old? **9.00** Film: Star Trek: Insurrection (1998) **10.55** Wives **11.55** Miami Uncovered **12.55** The Villa **1.50** Bones **2.40** Football Years **3.30** Dream Team **4.20** Dream Team **5.10** Guilty! **BBC3** **7.00** Doctor Who **7.55** Doctor Who Confidential **8.00** Dog Borstal **9.00** Never Mind The Buzzcocks **9.30** Two Pints Of Lager And A Packet Of Crisps **10.00** EastEnders **10.30** The Baby Borrowers Go On Holiday: The Story So Far **11.30** Family Guy **11.55** Family Guy **12.15** Two Pints Of Lager And A Packet Of Crisps **12.45** Marc Wootton Exposed **1.15** The Most Annoying People Of The Year 2007 **3.40** The Baby Borrowers Go On Holiday: The Story So Far **4.40** Close

BBC4

7.00 World News Today; Weather **7.30** Soweto Strings **9.00** Marc Bolan: The Final Word **10.00** Pop Britannia **11.00** Film: Tommy (1975). Rock opera, starring Roger Daltrey. **12.45** Pop Britannia **1.45** Soweto Strings **3.20** Pop Britannia **4.20** Close **ITV2** **9.25** Smallville **10.25** Movies Now **10.30** Judge Judy **12.00** Emmerdale **12.30** Airline USA **1.00** Airline USA **1.30** The Jeremy Kyle Show **2.35** The Jeremy Kyle Show **3.45** Ricki Lake **4.30** Sally Jessy Raphael **5.15** The Montel Williams Show **6.00** Judge Judy **7.00** Smallville **8.00** JK Rowling: A Year In The Life **9.00** Being Simon Cowell **10.00** American Idol **12.00** Coronation Street **12.30** Coronation Street **1.00** Film: Spirit Trap (2005) **2.40** Teleshopping **5.00** ITV2 Nightscreen **5.40** ITV2 Nightscreen **ITV3** **6.00** Is It Legal? **6.25** Upstairs, Downstairs **7.20** The Rockford Files **8.25** Inside **9.25** Inside **10.25** The Cosby Mysteries **11.25** Quincy ME **12.30** Lovejoy **1.35** Heartbeat **2.40** The Two Ronnies **3.40** Cagney And Lacey **4.40** Agatha Christie's Poirot **5.45** Heartbeat **6.50** The Two Ronnies **7.50** Agatha Christie's Poirot **9.00** The Dorothy L Sayers Mysteries



Being Simon Cowell, ITV2, 9pm

10.00 Murder In Mind **11.10** Film: Foul Play (1978). Adventure, with Goldie Hawn. Including Entertainment News Update. **1.30** Quincy ME **2.25** Our New Life In Everwood **3.10** Our New Life In Everwood **4.00** Teleshopping **ITV4** **6.00** Randall And Hopkirk (Deceased) **7.00** Space 1999 **8.00** Police, Camera, Action! **8.30** Police, Camera, Action! **9.00** Real Crime **10.00** Murder Squad **10.30** Film: Highlander (1986). Adventure, with Christopher Lambert.

Including Entertainment News Update. **12.50** Video Justice **1.15** American Gothic **2.15** Dinner For Five **2.45** Millennium **3.40** ITV4 Nightscreen **4.00** Teleshopping **E4** **6.00** Ghost Whisperer **6.50** Joan Of Arcadia **7.40** Big Brother's Little Brother **8.10** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack **9.10** Ugly Betty **10.05** Ghost Whisperer **11.00** Joan Of Arcadia **11.55** Ugly Betty **12.50** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack Live **4.25** Hollyoaks **4.55** Friends **5.25** Friends **5.55** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack **7.00** Hollyoaks **7.30** Big Brother's Little Brother **8.00** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack Live Eviction **9.00** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack Live **10.00** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack Live Eviction **10.30** Big Brother's Big Mouth **11.00** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack Live **MORE4** **9.00** Deal Or No Deal **9.45** How Clean Is Your House? **10.15** It's Me Or The Dog **10.45** A Place In The Sun **11.15** Film: From Hell To Texas (1958). Western, starring Don Murray and Diane Varsi. **1.10** Deal Or No Deal **2.00** ER **3.00** Hill Street Blues **4.00** Location, Location, Location **4.30** Location, Location, Location **5.05** Grand Designs **6.05** Deal Or No Deal **7.00** Property Ladder **8.00** More4

News **8.30** The Daily Show With Jon Stewart **9.00** The IT Crowd **9.30** The IT Crowd **10.00** Film: Lost In Translation (2003). Sofia Coppola's acclaimed Oscar-winning comedy drama, starring Bill Murray and Scarlett Johansson. **11.55** Sex Change Hospital **12.55** The Sopranos **2.05** Grand Designs **3.05** Countdown **3.50** Close **UKTV GOLD** **6.00** Neighbours **6.20** As Time Goes By **7.00** Sorry! **7.40** Last Of The Summer Wine **8.20** EastEnders **9.00** The Bill **10.00** Casualty **11.00** Holby City **12.00** Dinnerladies **12.40** My Family **1.20** The Two Ronnies Sketchbook **2.00** The Thin Blue Line **2.40** Dinnerladies **3.20** Keeping Up Appearances **4.00** The Two Ronnies Sketchbook **4.40** The Thin Blue Line **5.20** My Family **6.00** The New Adventures Of Old Christine **6.30** The New Adventures Of Old Christine **7.00** New Tricks **8.00** Film: Another Stakeout (1993). Inferior comedy adventure sequel, starring Richard Dreyfuss and Emilio Estevez. **10.10** EuroMillions Draw **10.15** Film: Hard Rain (1998). Action adventure, starring Christian Slater. **12.05** Friday Night With Jonathan Ross **1.20** Two Pints Of Lager And A Packet Of Crisps **1.55** The New Adventures Of Old Christine **2.20** The New Adventures Of Old Christine **2.40** Hamish Macbeth **3.30** The Bill **4.20** Casualty **5.10** Neighbours **5.35** Neighbours

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Aries Mar 21-Apr 20

The start of each
New Year is the
traditional time for making
future-orientated plans,
but for you this week
takes on very special
resonance in this regard.
In fact, you could be
feeling particularly aware
of times to come. If you
feel your existence is
quite mundane Aries you
could find yourself
daydreaming about more
fantastical possibilities.
Call for more on the Sun's
move this week.

Libra Sept 24-Oct 23

After a quietish
start to 2008 you
can now get the bit
between your teeth. Any
form of enterprising
activity is sure to please
you, and socially too you
can now burst into life. If
you want to charm
anyone, be it a potential
employer or someone
you've had your eye on,
the stars give you plenty
of scope to wax lyrical.
Just don't over-gild the
lily! Call for a fabulous
new romantic phase.

Taurus Apr 21-May 21

Worldly plans will
need a worldly
touch. If you've ideas that
are not going to be
workable, you could
waste time in going down
unrealistic avenues, so do
careful research. Also
avoid "get rich quick
schemes". The Full Moon
also suggests that
someone at home can
resent it if you pour
energy into overtime at
the expense of family life.
Call for more on this
week's Full Moon Taurus.

Scorpio Oct 24-Nov 22

Home and hearth
take on extra
importance in the winter,
and now you can put
more time and energy
into making your abode
as snug as possible.
Family affairs and your
personal emotional
outlook can however, be
subject to confusion
through to the end of the
month. You could develop
some fanciful ideas or
feel a bit washed out or
exhausted. Call to avoid
mix-ups with those you
care most for.

Gemini May 22-Jun 21

Your imagination
can be superb this
week and this can help to
stimulate you when it
comes to thinking of your
travel destinations for
2008. Although you may
have a truly favourite
place, this can be a good
year to enjoy some new
experiences. If you've yet
to explore this country as
much as you might, doing
so is worthy of serious
consideration. Call to hear
how education can inspire
you.

Sagittarius Nov 23-Dec 21

If you're young
children, your
storytelling skills can
reach epic proportions.
Seriously, you may even
find yourself jotting down
ideas on a novel, or
writing poetry. Look to
watch movies, or listen to
albums that truly move
you. Your imagination and
visualisation skills are
enhanced. Yet details can
get blurry, so watch you
don't overly embellish
facts. Call for help with
contracts.

Cancer Jun 22-Jul 23

The continuing tie-
up between Jupiter
and Saturn suggests that
one involvement can be
shaping up reassuringly
well. However, you cannot
assume this of all
involvements. Why?
Because however you
feel, someone may feel
differently. In business
situations particularly, you
need to stay attuned to
possibilities. Call if big
financial decisions are
needed.

Capricorn Dec 22-Jan 20

Money matters
quite a bit to most
people. There is a
balance to strike — to
take your resources
seriously enough, yet not
be overly materialistic.
However, if your New
Year's Eve resolutions
were linked to sorting out
your diet, reliance on
booze or calories, these
could be compromised
now — especially if you
kid yourself the odd treat
won't hurt. Call to grapple
with new objectives.

Leo Jul 24-Aug 23

The Full Moon in
Leo can make you
particularly aware of the
downside in relationships,
but remember that old
chestnut about the grass
not always being greener
on the other side of the
fence. Rushed decisions
around a romance could
be rued in time. And yet,
if you're unsure that
someone is being as
upfront as you'd like,
you'd be right to be wary.
Call to hear why listening
is so important.

Aquarius Jan 21-Feb 19

There's been a lot
going on behind the
scenes. The encouraging
news now however, is
that you can take centre
stage. You're a one-off
Aquarius, you just don't
always believe in yourself
and your individuality,
quite as much as you
might. Challenge this
about yourself. Even if
there are some brickbats,
there will be far more
plaudits for you. Call to
hear how you can
become a star.

Virgo Aug 24-Sept 23

That caring and
compassionate side
of your nature can come
bubbling to the surface. In
the right situations this
can see you being very
conscientious at work.
Some Virgos may use the
services of a
complementary medicine
practitioner positively, or
consider training in such a
field. Changes at work are
also possible. Call if that
new diet is faltering.

Pisces Feb 20-Mar 20

You need clarity in
your world and if
there's unfinished business,
or strands you don't
understand, you could find
yourself working. Taking a
good quality Vitamin D may
be something you could
consider, for lack of sunlight
can deplete you. Avoid
people who give off
negative vibes. They'll only
serve to drain your
batteries. Call for news of a
fair-weather friend.

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6.00 Breakfast 4552068 **10.00** Saturday Kitchen 80529 **11.30** Bill's Food (R) 6074 **12.00** BBC News; Weather 7610600 **12.10** Football Focus 3745722 **1.00** Racing From Ascot And Haydock Park. Clare Balding introduces live coverage of this afternoon's meetings, including the 1.45 Victor Chandler Chase (2m 1f) from Ascot. 33068 **2.30** Live Snooker: The Masters. Ray Stubbs is joined by Steve Davis and John Parrott for the first of today's semi-finals at Wembley Arena, where the players will do battle over the best-of-11 frames for a place in tomorrow's final. 58797 **4.30** Final Score 9418426 **5.20** BBC News; Regional News; Weather 4228451 **5.40** Weakest Link 767906 **6.30** The One And Only. The remaining 11 tribute acts compete. The results show can be seen at 9.30pm. 1211890

BBC 2



Timewatch – The Greatest Knight – The world of the medieval tournament

6.00 CBeebies 87345 **7.00** CBBC: Watch My Chops (R) 3766838 **7.15** Watch My Chops (R) 7286635 **7.25** Arthur (R) 7193971 **7.40** Mortified 2450155 **8.00** Krypto The Superdog (R) 4318819 **8.15** Zombie Hotel (R) 5691161 **8.35** Dinosapien (R) 6810364 **9.00** Basil's Swap Shop 6097345 **9.55** Diddy Dick & Dom (R) 4075258 **10.00** Prank Patrol (R) 66797 **10.30** What's New Scooby-Doo? (R) 3718074 **10.50** Best Of Friends (R) 4135987 **11.20** Animalia (R) 8526987 **11.45** Sportsround 7577093 **12.00** Coast 6587529 **12.05** Film: Attack On The Iron Coast (1967) 9760364 **1.35** Film 2008 With Jonathan Ross 35482703 **2.05** Film: Voyage Of The Damned (1976) 29819058 **4.40** BBC Switch: Falcon Beach 1733258 **5.25** BBC Switch: Sound 9371987 **6.00** What The Papers Say 962548 **6.10** Live Snooker: The Masters. 7315722

ITV 1



Harry Hill's TV Burp – Comic view of the week's television

6.00 GMTV: Wakey! Wakey! 7.25 Toonattik. 5398635 **9.25** The Planet's Funniest Animals 7540161 **9.35** Dancing On Ice (R) 14823093 **11.35** Dancing On Ice: The Skate Off (R) 4011529 **12.05** ITV News And Weather 7717567 **12.15** London Today; Weather 6597906 **12.20** Coronation Street. Omnibus. Nick approaches Ryan and offers him a gift on his 16th birthday. 49143971 **2.35** London Today; Weather 5167277 **2.55** Film: Harry Potter And The Chamber Of Secrets (2002). Magical adventure adapted from the second book in JK Rowling's series, starring Daniel Radcliffe. 73155906 **5.45** ITV News And Weather 527703 **6.00** New You've Been Framed! With giddy grandmas and wedding nightmares. 529 **6.30** Harry Hill's TV Burp. Comic view of the week's television. 109

CHANNEL 4



ER – Neela recovers from the injuries she suffered at the rally

6.10 The Hoobs (R) 8016971 **6.35** The Hoobs (R) 7272567 **7.00** Goalissimo (R) 53987 **8.00** The Morning Line 7285548 **8.55** T4: One Tree Hill 5734161 **9.55** T4: Freshly Squeezed 6388242 **10.25** T4: Friends (R) 4073890 **10.55** T4: The Hills (R) 4056426 **11.25** T4: The Hills (R) 5596819 **12.00** T4: Friends (R) 89906 **12.30** T4: Friends (R) 23884 **1.00** T4: Pussycat Dolls Present: The Search For The Next Doll (R) 24567 **2.00** Channel 4 Racing From Wincanton, Lingfield Park And Haydock Park. Alice Plunkett and Derek Thompson introduce live coverage of this afternoon's seven feature races, including the 3.45 Connaught Cup (H'cap Chase) (3m 1 1/2f). 23201890 **4.10** Deal Or No Deal 6308635 **5.00** Jamie At Home (R) 8513 **5.30** Hugh's Chicken Run (R) 14285 **6.30** Channel 4 News 451

FIVE



Law & Order – Briscoe and Green hunt for a serial killer

6.00 Sunrise 4446722 **7.00** Milkshake! Hi-5 (R) 9599180 **7.40** The Beeps (R) 5751884 **7.55** Make Way For Noddy (R) 5847635 **8.10** Rupert Bear (R) 2756451 **8.25** Little Princess (R) 2751906 **8.40** Hana's Helpline (R) 2763635 **8.55** Roary The Racing Car (R) 1257529 **9.10** Gerald McBoing Boing (R) 810567 **9.30** Jane And The Dragon (R) 4701567 **10.00** Football Italiano Highlights 5506432 **10.45** Film: Finian's Rainbow (1968). Musical fantasy, starring Fred Astaire. 6339827 **1.20** Film: Flash (1997). Heart-warming drama, starring Lucas Black. 92275695 **3.10** Film: Yanks (1979). Romantic World War Two drama, with Richard Gere and Vanessa Redgrave. 71715635 **5.40** Film: Raid On Entebbe (1977). Fact-based drama, starring Peter Finch and Martin Balsam. 72539242

7 PM

7.40 The National Lottery: In It To Win It. Dale Winton presents the quiz show in which five contestants answer questions to scoop a big prize – but one wrong response could lose them their share of the loot. Kirsty Gallacher introduces the all-important Lotto, Dream Number and Thunderball draws. 536884

7.20 The Culture Show. New series. Stand-up comedian Chris Rock talks to Lauren Laverne about what makes him laugh. Mark Kermode interviews Sweeney Todd star Johnny Depp and director Tim Burton. Glasgow band Sons and Daughters perform a song from their new album This Gift. 215548

7.00 Primeval. A sulphurous mist spreads through a newly built skyscraper in the city with mysterious creatures lurking beneath that attack the employees. The situation tests the nerve of new operations manager Jenny Lewis as events inside unfold. Douglas Henshall stars. 4722

7.00 Grand Designs. A couple who live in a Regency house in Cheltenham that is expensive to run decide to sell up and build a modern low-maintenance house in their back garden. However, height restrictions mean they have to build 60 per cent of their new home underground. (R) 2364

8.15 Five News And Sport 4470432 **8.35** NCIS. The team investigate the suspected murder of a petty officer. Abby and McGee soon discover the incident is a practical joke, but events take a sinister turn when the same man is eventually found dead. Mark Harmon stars. (R) 4455722

8 PM

8.30 Casualty. Adam wakes up in bed with a woman he spent the night with and is surprised when he later discovers she is a new agency nurse. Tess is at first disappointed to have only received one member of staff, but is soon impressed by the newcomer's aptitude. Gillian Kearney stars. 204548

8.10 Timewatch – The Greatest Knight. Dr Saul David explores the violent world of the medieval melee tournament, a brutal free-for-all with sharpened weapons, few rules and one undisputed champion – William Marshall – known to 12th-century chroniclers as 'the greatest knight'. 312426

8.00 Duel. New series. Nick Hancock hosts this high-tension quiz show in which contestants go head to head in a battle of knowledge and nerve. But to get their hands on the ever-increasing jackpot will take skill, judgement and a lot of daring because just one mistake means instant elimination. 7242

8.00 ER. Moretti continues to stamp his authority on the ER, which doesn't enamour him to the rest of the staff. Meanwhile, Neela recovers from the injuries she sustained at the rally and Sam looks set to start a new relationship with a police officer. Parminder Nagra stars. 5884

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9.20 The One And Only – The Results Show. The 11 tribute acts join forces for a group performance, before finding out which two of them have gained the fewest votes and must sing again in a bid to remain in the competition. 950884 **9.50** BBC News; Weather; National Lottery Update 289548

9.00 Have I Got Old News For You. Another chance to see this edition of the satirical quiz, with guest host Kirsty Young. (R) 6451 **9.30** Live Snooker: The Masters. Ray Stubbs is joined by Steve Davis and John Parrott for further coverage of the second of this year's semi-finals at Wembley Arena, a match played over the best-of-11 frames. There may not be any ranking points on offer at this event, but there is a generous prize fund, with the winner of tonight's match not only guaranteeing himself a place in the final, but a cheque for at least £68,000. Commentary by Clive Everton and Dennis Taylor. 36722

9.00 Thank God You're Here. Comedy series. Filmed in front of a live studio audience each episode sees four special guests thrown on to an unknown set with only costumes. This episode sees former Whose Line Is It Anyway? host Clive Anderson and ex-Coronation Street star Sally Lindsay. 7726

9.00 Film: The Italian Job (2003). A gang of thieves steal a fortune in gold bullion, only to be double-crossed by one of their own in a betrayal that leaves their friend and mentor dead. One year later, the team regroup to form a daring plan to exact revenge on the traitor and reclaim their ill-gotten gains. Better-than-expected crime thriller, loosely based on the classic 1969 Michael Caine caper. Starring Mark Wahlberg, Charlize Theron, Edward Norton, Seth Green and Donald Sutherland. 8971

9.30 CSI: NY. The badly decomposed bodies of two scuba divers are found in New York's East River and Hawkes surmises the deaths were caused by asphyxiation. Mac wonders how they could have drowned with full tanks of oxygen still attached and orders lab tests. With Gary Sinise. 5377074

10 PM

10.10 Match Of The Day. Gary Lineker presents highlights of today's Premier League fixtures, including tricky away games for Arsenal and Manchester United as they face Fulham and Reading respectively. The Gunners suffered a shock 2-1 defeat at Craven Cottage last season. 1078600

10.00 Film: Joan Of Arc (1999). Luc Besson's self-indulgent drama, chronicling the life of the teenage heroine who attempted to rid France of its oppressors after experiencing religious visions. Milla Jovovich stars. 774451 **1.30** Snooker Extra. Ray Stubbs introduces highlights from the opening semi-final of this year's Masters, held at Wembley Arena. 89933 **3.30** Film: Lady Of Deceit (1947, b/w). Drama about a psychotic murderer who becomes involved with his wife's divorced sister. With Claire Trevor. 49223

10.00 Film: Red Dragon (2002). Premiere. An FBI investigator is forced to consult cannibalistic killer Hannibal Lecter while trying to track down a murderer. Chilling prequel, starring Anthony Hopkins, Edward Norton, Ralph Fiennes and Philip Seymour Hoffman. Continues after ITV News and Weather. 3093

11.00 Borat's Television Programme 422884 **11.50** City Of Vice (R) 420780 **12.50** Film: The Man Who Wasn't There (2001, b/w). A small-town barber hatches a plot to get revenge on his two-timing wife – but ends up embroiled in murder and deception. Drama, starring Billy Bob Thornton. 68752440 **3.00** Extreme Archaeology (R) 66914 **4.00** Last Train (R) 44452001 **4.05** Help Me Love My Baby (R) 2699001 **5.05** Countdown (R) 1022391 **5.50** Making It (R) 7776556 **5.55** The Hoobs (R) 4141914

10.30 Law & Order. New series. Briscoe and Green investigate a spate of murders, and find a recurring pattern, leading them to believe they have a serial killer on their hands. They soon find a suspect, who admits to killing 15 women. Jerry Orbach, Sam Waterston, Jesse L Martin star. 3329242

11 PM

11.30 Film: Carry On Camping (1969). Randy Sid James and Bernard Bresslaw plan to lure their girlfriends to a nudist camp. Comedy, with Kenneth Williams. 51616 **1.00** Friday Night With Jonathan Ross. With David Attenborough and Ringo Starr; (R) Weatherview 8665575 **2.05** Sign Zone: Timewatch – Viking Voyage. The voyage of a reconstructed Viking ship. (R) 9177204 **3.35** Sign Zone: Gardeners' World 77402846 **4.05** Sign Zone: A Passion For Plants (R) 32081556 **4.35** BBC News 24 9237339

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11.00 ITV News And Weather; Weather 361884 **11.15** Film: Red Dragon (2002). Concluded. 733987 **12.40** Nightwatch With Steve Scott: Mystery. Re-opening the files on Britain's most notorious murders. 484681 **2.30** Film: Mayerling (1968). Austrian prince Omar Sharif scandalises polite society by falling in love with commoner Catherine Deneuve. Fact-based drama, also starring James Mason. 20889136 **4.45** ITV Nightscreen 2274310 **5.30** ITV Morning News 44759

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11.30 Criminal Minds. Part one of two. A serial killer disrupts the team's holiday plans by taunting them with clues that could help them save his next victim, and Elle's life is placed in danger. Last in series. (R) 1139068 **12.30** Quiz Call. Game show giving viewers the chance to phone in and answer questions for cash prizes. 54248407 **5.10** Wildlife SOS. The work of volunteers treating sick and orphaned animals at a wildlife sanctuary. (R) 63379339 **5.35** Wildlife SOS. The work of an animal sanctuary. (R) 67608339

SATELLITE AND FREEVIEW

SKY ONE **6.00** Pop Years **7.00** America's Dumbest Criminals **7.30** The Book Show **8.00** Brainiac: Science Abuse **9.00** Soccer AM **12.00** Mission Implausible **1.00** Pop Years **2.00** Top 50 Greatest Celebrity Animals **4.00** Malcolm In The Middle **4.30** Futurama **5.00** Futurama **5.30** Futurama **6.00** Futurama **6.30** Futurama **7.00** Stargate Atlantis **8.00** Brainiac: Science Abuse. Thaila Zucchi joins the team. **9.00** Road Wars **10.00** Road Wars **11.00** Road Wars **12.00** Miami Uncovered **1.00** Pop Years **2.00** Road Wars **3.00** America's Dumbest Criminals **3.30** Vroom Vroom **4.20** Brainiac: Science Abuse **5.10** Guilty! **BBC3** **7.00** Sound **7.30** Football Gaffes Galore Out-Takes **7.35** Top Gear **8.40** Film: AI: Artificial Intelligence (2001). A robot child – one of the first to have emotions – is heartbroken when abandoned by his human 'mother'. Sci-fi drama, with Haley Joel Osment. **10.55** Two Pints Of Lager And A Packet Of Crisps **11.25** Little Miss Jocelyn **11.55** Family Guy **12.20** Family Guy **12.40** Marc Wootton Exposed **1.10** Two Pints Of Lager And A Packet Of Crisps **1.40** Sex – With Mum And Dad **2.40** Dog Borstal **3.10**

Marc Wootton Exposed **3.40** Kill It, Cook It, Eat It **4.40** Close **BBC4** **7.00** Sense And Sensibility **8.00** Sense And Sensibility **9.00** Film: Good Bye Lenin! (2003). Acclaimed comedy drama, starring Daniel Bruhl, Katrin Sass and Chulpan Khamatova. **10.55** Film: Bad Education (2004). Psychological drama, starring Gael Garcia Bernal. **12.35** Pop Britannia **1.35** 10 Things You Didn't Know About Tsunami **2.35** Citizen Smith **3.05** The Sky At Night **3.35** Pop Britannia **4.35** Close **ITV2** **9.25** Emmerdale **12.15** American Idol **2.05** American Idol **3.55** Who Wants To Be A Millionaire? **5.00** Holiday Showdown Extreme **6.00** American Princess **7.00** The Brit Awards 2008 Launch Party **8.00** Film: Police Academy II: Their First Assignment (1985). America's most inept police force are finally let loose on the streets – immediately prompting the crime rate to increase. Farcical comedy, starring Steve Guttenberg. Including Entertainment News Update. **9.45** Movies Now **10.00** Al Murray's Happy Hour **11.10** Film: Spirit Trap (2005). Horror, starring Billie Piper. Including Entertainment News Update. **12.50** Sally Morgan: Star



Police Academy II: Their First Assignment, ITV2, 8pm

Psychic **1.50** Harry Hill's TV Burp **2.20** American Princess **3.15** Movies Now **3.30** Emmerdale **ITV3** **6.00** Our New Life In Everwood **6.45** Our New Life In Everwood **7.35** The Rockford Files **8.35** The Rockford Files **9.35** Ironside **10.40** Ironside **11.40** Home To Roost **12.15** Robin Of Sherwood **1.25** Agatha Christie's Poirot **2.30** Cadfael **4.05** Pam And Felicity: Being Rosemary And Thyme **4.15** Robin Of Sherwood **5.20** Home To Roost **5.50** Inspector

Morse **8.00** Rosemary & Thyme **9.00** Inspector Wexford. A farmer is found battered to death. **11.10** Cracker **12.15** Home To Roost **12.45** Cribb **1.45** Our New Life In Everwood **2.25** Our New Life In Everwood **3.10** Ironside **4.00** Teleshopping **ITV4** **12.30** Police, Camera, Action! **1.00** Europe's Greatest Stunts **1.30** When Stunts Go Bad **2.30** Randall And Hopkirk (Deceased) **3.30** Space 1999 **4.30** Police, Camera, Action! **5.00** Used Car Roadshow **6.00** Police Stop! **7.00** World's Most Awesome Record Breakers **8.00** Police, Camera, Action! **8.30** Police Patrol **9.00** The Sweeney **10.00** Police, Camera, Action! **10.30** Film: You Only Live Twice (1967) **12.50** Film: The 13th Warrior (1999) **2.50** Millennium **3.35** ITV4 Nightscreen **4.00** Teleshopping **E4** **6.00** Ghost Whisperer **6.50** Joan Of Arcadia **7.40** Ugly Betty **8.35** Big Brother's Little Brother **9.00** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack Eviction **10.05** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack Eviction **10.35** Ghost Whisperer **11.25** Joan Of Arcadia **12.20** Ugly Betty **1.20** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack Live **2.30** Hollyoaks **5.00** Friends **5.30** Friends **6.00** The Class **6.25** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack Eviction **7.30** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack Eviction **7.55** Friends **8.30** Friends **9.00** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack **10.00**

Big Brother's Diary Room Uncut **11.05** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack Live **MORE4** **9.00** A Place In The Sun **9.30** Junkyard Wars **10.35** Time Team **11.35** Time Team **12.35** Time Team **1.35** Film: Breakfast At Tiffany's (1961). Romantic comedy drama, starring Audrey Hepburn. **3.45** Property Ladder **4.50** Property Ladder **5.50** Property Ladder **6.55** Property Ladder **8.00** Property Ladder **9.00** The West Wing **10.00** The 50 Greatest TV Dramas **1.05** The Closer **2.05** Deal Or No Deal **2.55** Close **UKTV GOLD** **6.00** Dallas **7.00** Yes, Prime Minister **7.40** Yes, Prime Minister **8.20** Sorry! **9.00** Keeping Up Appearances **9.40** My Hero **10.20** My Hero **11.00** Doctor Who **12.00** Doctor Who **1.00** Dinnerladies **1.40** My Family **2.20** Keeping Up Appearances **3.00** Doctor Who **4.00** Doctor Who **5.00** My Hero **5.40** My Hero **6.20** The Two Ronnies Sketchbook **7.00** Victoria Wood As Seen On TV **7.40** Dinnerladies **8.20** My Family **9.00** Little Britain **9.40** Little Britain **10.20** Little Britain **11.00** Little Britain **11.40** Little Britain **12.20** Little Britain **1.00** The Catherine Tate Show **1.40** Two Pints Of Lager And A Packet Of Crisps **2.10** Hamish Macbeth **3.00** The Catherine Tate Show **3.30** Dallas **4.20** Close Up **4.30** Yes, Prime Minister **5.00** Yes, Prime Minister **5.30** Sorry!

Sunday, January 20

BBC 1



Messiah V: The Rapture – A young girl accuses her father of sex abuse

6.00 Breakfast 28164198 **7.35** Match Of The Day 9143759 **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show 38198 **10.00** The Big Questions 60448 **11.00** Countryfile. A look at Britain's oldest working mine. Including Weather for the Week Ahead. 19952 **12.00** The Politics Show 52556 **1.00** Film: Homeward Bound II: Lost In San Francisco (1996). Adventure, with the voices of Michael J Fox and Sally Field. 2798827 **2.20** EastEnders. Omnibus. 796391 **4.20** Songs Of Praise. Celebrating the role of the organ. 5516662 **4.55** Lifeline. Rolf Harris appeals on behalf of Phab. 2878952 **5.05** Sense And Sensibility. Marianne learns the full extent of Willoughby's betrayal. Last in series. 2399469 **6.05** BBC News; Regional News; Weather 588136 **6.30** A Question Of Sport. Quick-fire quiz. 643

BBC 2



Live Snooker: The Masters – The concluding session of the final

6.00 CBeebies: Fimbles (R) 8018339 **6.20** Tikkabilla (R) 7794952 **6.50** Step Inside (R) 1639204 **7.00** CBBC: Jakers! (R) 3644662 **7.20** BB3B (R) 7422594 **7.45** The Secret Show 7762759 **8.00** The Secret Show (R) 4039575 **8.10** Thumb Wrestling Federation: TWF (R) 9450594 **8.15** Skunk Fu! (R) 4295914 **8.30** Raven (R) 30846 **9.00** Hider In The House 29440 **10.00** Something For The Weekend 62830 **11.30** Animal Park (R) 38020 **12.30** Tennis: Australian Open 40865 **2.00** Live Snooker: The Masters. Steve Davis and John Parrott join Ray Stubbs in the studio for the opening session of the final at Wembley Arena. Subsequent programmes subject to change. 3524643 **5.30** Avocets – Born Survivors (R) 514865 **5.40** Wild Wensleydale (R) 889556 **6.10** Natural World 534391

ITV1



Wild at Heart – Sarah and Caroline invest in luxury lodges

6.00 GMTV 5292407 **9.25** CITV: Jim Jam & Sunny 2425608 **9.40** Tricky Quickies 1769594 **9.45** Championship Goals 410204 **10.45** Film: Murder, She Wrote: The Celtic Riddle (2003). Mystery, with Angela Lansbury. 20541407 **12.30** Amanda Holden: Really Wild At Heart. The rescue and eventual release of three abused lions. (R) 46136 **1.30** ITV News: Weather 72545223 **1.35** London Today: Weather 72544594 **1.40** Film: Agatha Christie's A Caribbean Mystery (1983). Diverting whodunit, with Helen Hayes and Bernard Hughes. 36753310 **3.20** Lewis. A housewife is found hanged. (R) 68098594 **5.20** London Tonight: Weather 1222440 **5.35** ITV News And Weather 228556 **5.50** Dancing On Ice. The remaining 11 contestants perform. The results are at 8.50. 87440778

CHANNEL 4



Picture This – The final of the digital photography competition

6.20 Transworld Sport 5310914 **7.20** Barcelona World Race 7417662 **7.45** World Cup Skiing. The men's World Cup meeting in Kitzbuhel, Austria. 318372 **8.45** T4: The OC (R) 412662 **9.45** T4: Hollyoaks 58731952 **12.15** T4: The Hills 539643 **12.45** T4: Friends (R) 538914 **1.15** T4: Friends. Phoebe is attracted to her twin sister's fiancé. (R) 535827 **1.45** T4: MobileAct Winner: Video Exclusive 72531020 **1.50** T4: Smallville 1614662 **2.50** T4: Smallville 9534952 **3.50** T4: The Simpsons 8335339 **4.20** T4: The Simpsons 5537136 **4.50** Britain's Worst Weather. Dr Nick Middleton continues his investigation by visiting the Cairngorms in Scotland. (R) 5529136 **5.50** Time Team. The crew discover Iron Age settlements on the Isle of Barra. 455285 **6.45** Channel 4 News 702914

FIVE



Football Italiano – Live coverage of a match from Italy's Serie A

6.00 Milkshake! 3594598 **10.00** Film: Madeline: Lost In Paris (1999). Animated adventure, with the voice of Christopher Plummer. 28792556 **11.35** Big Cat Predators: Lion Wars. The power struggles of a pride of lions. (R) 7128933 **12.20** Film: Star In The Dust (1956). Western drama, starring John Agar. 44954049 **1.45** Football Italiano. Mark Chapman and Laura Esposto introduce live coverage of a match from Italy's Serie A, where Inter Milan are reigning champions. 27023440 **4.10** Super Cats. Investigating the biology of a big cat. (R) 7704001 **5.10** Film: Toys (1992). Zany inventor Robin Williams clashes with his evil uncle, who wants to use the family toy factory for military purposes. Offbeat and misguided comedy, with Michael Gambon. 59044933

7 PM

7.00 **Antiques Roadshow.** Michael Aspel and the team return to St George's Hall in Liverpool to bring to light more rarities from days gone by. The examined objects include a bedspread supposedly made for the Queen and a rare plaque that survived the accidental demolition of the wall it was hung upon. 6643

8 PM

8.00 **Lark Rise To Candleford.** Laura begins to settle into her new role at the Post Office. However, the peace is soon disturbed when Mrs Macey learns that her convict husband has escaped from prison – an event that sets the village gossips' tongues to work. Dawn French and Olivia Hallinan star. 5391

9 PM

9.00 **Messiah V: The Rapture.** First in a two-part crime drama, starring Marc Warren as traumatised DCI Joseph Walker. A young member of a controversial church accuses her father of sexual abuse, but the case takes a gruesome twist when a key witness is murdered. Concludes tomorrow. 2827

10 PM

10.00 **BBC News; Weather** 461597 **10.20** **Match Of The Day 2.** Adrian Chiles reviews the day's Premier League action, featuring Manchester City v West Ham United at the City of Manchester Stadium and Wigan Athletic v Everton at the JJB Stadium. Plus, a round-up of yesterday's fixtures. 908575

11 PM

11.10 **Film: The Whistle Blower (1986).** Gripping low-key conspiracy thriller, starring Michael Caine and Nigel Havers; Weatherview 796515 **12.55** **Sign Zone: Clash Of Worlds.** The relationship between Palestine and Britain. Last in series. (R) 8866624 **1.55** **Sign Zone: Holby City.** New surgical consultant Linden Cullen arrives on AAU. (R) 5241247 **2.55** **Sign Zone: Natural World.** The life of the snow leopard. (R) 7730605 **3.45** **Sign Zone: Helicopter Heroes** 1563179 **4.30** **BBC News 24** 98686

7.00 **Ski Sunday.** New series. Highlights of the weekend's World Cup action, including the men's meeting in Kitzbuhel, Austria, where the likes of Benjamin Raich, Bode Miller and Didier Cuche will all be vying for victories. Plus, a celebrity tackles a giant slalom course. 4285

8.00 **Live Snooker: The Masters.** Ray Stubbs, Steve Davis and John Parrott return to present the evening session of this year's final at Wembley Arena, where the first player to win 10 frames will be crowned champion. Ronnie O'Sullivan held a 5-3 lead over Ding Junhui following the afternoon session in the 2007 final and didn't drop another frame, as his opponent struggled to cope with the vociferous crowd and failed to produce his best form, enabling 'The Rocket' to claim victory and record his third Masters title. Commentary by Clive Everton and Dennis Taylor. Subsequent programmes subject to change. 815894

7.50 **Wild At Heart.** New series of the African-set wildlife drama, starring Stephen Tompkinson and Amanda Holden. Sarah and Caroline invest in luxury lodges to attract richer clients to Leopard's Den, but when they run over budget Danny can't afford to mend the fences. 642339

8.50 **Dancing On Ice: The Skate Off.** Phillip Schofield and Holly Willoughby preside as the two couples who have gained the least support from the judges and viewers compete to avoid being next to leave the show. 690285

9.20 **Kingdom.** Peter is forced to hide his brother Simon, but fears for the integrity of the business if the Market Shipborough gossips get wind of the fugitive. Meanwhile, Lyle employs an unusual tactic to settle a dispute between a naturist community and local residents. 363407

10.20 **ITV News And Weather; Weather** 766169 **10.40** **Tim Burton: The South Bank Show.** The film-maker talks to Melvyn Bragg about his latest production Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street, and discusses his early career and big-screen influences. Illustrated with clips from his films. 437662

11.40 **Film: Rules Of Engagement (2000).** An embittered lawyer reluctantly defends a former Vietnam comrade-in-arms accused of opening fire on innocent civilians. Labourled legal thriller, starring Tommy Lee Jones. 54567488 **1.55** **Dial A Mum.** The quartet help a mother of three. (R) 7120605 **2.30** **Reality Bites.** Simon Rimmer hosts the cookery challenge. (R) 5312044 **2.55** **Reality Bites (R)** 5331179 **3.20** **People's Court (R)** 5907150 **4.15** **ITV Nightscreen** 5870315 **5.30** **ITV Morning News** 57808

11.00 **Film: Simpatico (1999).** Premiere. Successful horse trader Carter receives an unexpected call from an old acquaintance named Vinnie, who he used to carry out betting scams with. Vinnie has tracked down a man whose life and career was ruined by one of their schemes, and wants to make amends. However, Carter fears that doing so could expose his shady past and destroy his reputation. Uninspired drama, starring Nick Nolte and Jeff Bridges. 996533 **12.45** **BBC News 24** 94639334

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BBC4 **7.00** Doctors To Be: Twenty Years On **7.30** Vivaldi's Gloria **8.00** The Voice **9.00** 10 Things You Didn't Know About Earthquakes **10.00** Earth: The Power Of The Planet **11.00** How Pop Songs Work **12.00** 10 Things You Didn't Know About Earthquakes **1.00** The Comet's Tale **2.00** Doctors To Be: Twenty Years On **2.30** Vivaldi's Gloria **3.00** 10 Things You Didn't Know About Earthquakes **4.00** Close **ITV2** **9.25** American Idol **11.15** American Idol **1.05** Emmerdale **3.50** Who Wants To Be A Millionaire? **Celebrity** **4.45** Harry Hill's TV Burp **5.25** Film: Police Academy II: Their First Assignment (1985). Farical comedy, starring Steve Guttenberg. Including Entertainment News Update. **7.00** The Brit Awards 2008 Launch Party **8.00** American Idol **9.55** American Idol **11.50** Film: Van Helsing (2004). Stylish horror thriller, starring Hugh Jackman. Including Entertainment News Update. **2.05** Dancing On Ice: The Skate Off **2.30** Teleshopping **5.30** ITV2 Nightscreen **ITV3** **6.00** The Rockford Files **6.50** The Rockford Files **7.45** Ironside **8.45** Upstairs, Downstairs



The 13th Warrior, ITV4, 10pm

9.50 Upstairs, Downstairs **11.00** Carry On Laughing **11.25** Carry On Laughing **12.00** Jeeves And Wooster **1.05** Inspector Morse **3.15** Film: A Simple Wish (1997) **4.50** Torvill And Dean: Dancing On Ice **5.45** Robin Of Sherwood **6.50** Carry On Laughing **7.20** Carry On Laughing **7.50** Jeeves And Wooster **9.00** Film: SOS Titanic (1979). Documentary-style drama, starring David Janssen. **11.05** Hammer House Of Horror **12.15** Tales Of The Unexpected **12.45** Tales Of The Unexpected **1.20** Jeeves And

Wooster **2.20** Hammer House Of Horror **3.15** Is It Legal? **3.40** Emmerdale **ITV4** **12.30** Police Patrol **1.00** Police, Camera, Action! **1.30** Police Stop! **2.30** The Sweeney **3.30** Film: You Only Live Twice (1967) **5.50** Police, Camera, Action! **6.20** Police Patrol **6.45** Movies Now **7.00** UFO **8.00** Jericho **9.00** Heist **10.00** Film: The 13th Warrior (1999) **12.00** Film: The Devil's Rejects (2005) **2.10** Dinner For Five **2.40** Dinner For Five **3.10** Space 1999 **4.00** Teleshopping **E4** **6.00** Ghost Whisperer **6.50** Joan Of Arcadia **7.40** Ugly Betty **8.35** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack **9.35** Ghost Whisperer **10.25** Joan Of Arcadia **11.20** Ugly Betty **12.15** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack Live **3.55** Big Brother's Diary Room Uncut **4.55** Friends **5.25** Friends **5.55** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack **7.00** Big Brother's Little Brother **8.00** Friends **8.30** Friends **9.00** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack **10.00** Big Brother: Celebrity Hijack Live **MORE4** **9.00** Barcelona World Race 2007/2008 **9.30** Scrapheap Challenge **10.30** Scrapheap Challenge **11.35** Scrapheap Challenge **12.35** Scrapheap Challenge **1.40** Location, Location, Location **2.15** Location, Location,

Location **2.50** Come Dine With Me **3.25** Come Dine With Me **3.55** Come Dine With Me **4.30** Come Dine With Me **5.05** Come Dine With Me **5.40** Jamie At Home **6.15** River Cottage Road Trip **7.25** The Wild Gourmets **8.00** Born Survivor: Bear Grylls **9.00** The Secret Millionaire **10.00** Bodyshock: The 80-Year-Old Children **11.05** Father Ted **11.40** Father Ted **12.10** Curb Your Enthusiasm **12.50** The IT Crowd **1.20** The Secret Millionaire **2.20** Bodyshock: The 80-Year-Old Children **3.25** Close **UKTV GOLD** **6.05** Dallas **7.05** Yes, Prime Minister **7.45** Yes, Prime Minister **8.25** Sorry! **9.00** My Hero **9.40** My Hero **10.20** Only Fools And Horses **11.00** Only Fools And Horses **12.10** Only Fools And Horses **1.20** Only Fools And Horses **2.25** Only Fools And Horses **3.05** Only Fools And Horses **3.45** Only Fools And Horses **4.25** Only Fools And Horses **5.30** Only Fools And Horses **6.35** Only Fools And Horses **7.40** Only Fools And Horses **8.20** The Vicar Of Dibley. The day of the autumn fair dawns. **9.00** Little Britain **9.40** Little Britain **10.20** Little Britain **11.00** Little Britain **11.40** Little Britain **12.20** Little Britain **1.00** The Vicar Of Dibley **1.40** Two Pints Of Lager And A Packet Of Crisps **2.15** Hamish Macbeth **3.05** Dallas **3.55** Sorry! **4.25** Yes, Prime Minister **5.00** Yes, Prime Minister **5.30** Neighbours

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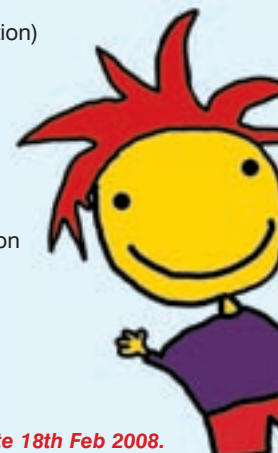
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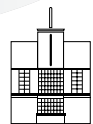
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- Undertaking general maintenance and repair duties
- Assisting with managing contracted staff
- Monitoring energy and water consumption
- Ensuring that the function rooms and tenants facilities are organised efficiently
- Deputising for the Facilities Manager in his absence.

Successful applicants should have relevant transferable skills, with an interest in undertaking training/study in relevant disciplines. Essentially this role requires excellent communication skills and computer literacy. You will be required to work occasional weekends and evenings and be available to deal with emergencies outside of working hours.

GROUND'S MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR - Ref 1B027S Salary up to £18,000 pa - plus up to 10% annual bonus

The Council wishes to recruit a supervisor to join the grounds maintenance team of our in-house contractor, Broxbourne Services.

This person will be responsible for the day-to-day organisation, leadership and supervision of ca.15 front line staff. The role will include performance monitoring activities to ensure services are run effectively, efficiently and carried out to a high standard.

Applicants should have horticultural experience, be computer literate and have an appreciation of the health and safety issues relating to grounds maintenance. In addition, applicants will need to work as part of the team during peak periods and be able to operate and organise a diverse range of plant and vehicles. A relevant qualification is desirable but not essential.

MAINTENANCE OFFICER – Ref 1M144N

Salary from £18,302 pa pro-rata

Part time 18½ hours per week

Reporting to the maintenance Manager you will undertake responsive and planned maintenance of the building and plant within the Borough's leisure and community facilities.

You should be able to work both independently and as part of a team. Good communication skills, the ability to work under pressure and working knowledge of health and safety legislation in the work environment is essential. Flexible working including evenings, weekends and bank holidays will be required.

You should have a recognised electrical qualification and relevant experience in a similar environment. A full clean driving licence is essential. This role requires a Criminal Records Bureau enhanced disclosure.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT PERSONNEL SERVICES - Ref 1C102N Salary up to £15,000 pa

We are seeking to recruit an enthusiastic, proficient administrator for our busy personnel services section. Applicants must have GCSE/'O' level passes or equivalent in English and Maths, be experienced in the use of Microsoft Office and routine administrative processes. They must be approachable with good customer care skills to enable them to deal with telephone and face to face queries in a friendly and professional manner.

CLERICAL ASSISTANT – Ref 1M122N

Salary up to £14,000 pa pro rata

Part time - 18½ hours per week (afternoons only)

A well motivated person is needed within our Community Services department to undertake a range of duties including day-to-day administrative support, processing payments, producing orders, raising or reconciling invoices, dealing with customer enquiries and data inputting.

Applicants must have appropriate GCSE passes or equivalent and be computer literate preferably with knowledge of MS products. Good organisational and interpersonal skills are essential as the position fits within a team working environment and involves assisting members of the public on the telephone and face to face.

VENUE ADMINISTRATOR – Ref 1M008S

Broxbourne Civic Hall

Salary range £13,544 to £16,418 pa pro rata

Part time 35 hours per week

If you are looking for a varied and interesting position, then join us to administrate bookings for our five function venues throughout the Borough. Our facilities are much in demand for weddings, conferences, dances and parties and your role will be to maximise their usage by liaising with customers to meet their requirements and also ensuring administrative/financial procedures are strictly adhered to.

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OPERATIONS OFFICERS – Ref 100

Grundy Park Leisure Centre and John Warner Leisure Centre

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The key duties of these positions include setting up and breaking down of equipment and undertaking cleaning duties. The role involves working on a rota basis and includes working early mornings, late evenings and weekends.

You will require the National Pool Lifeguard. This role also requires a Criminal Records Bureau enhanced disclosure.

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Salary from £11,513 pa pro rata

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Part time up to 20 hours per week

This position will involve working daytime, evenings and weekends. Box Office Assistant duties include welcoming visitors to the venue in person, helping customers with any queries either in person, over the phone and by email, taking box office bookings using our Databox system and operating the switchboard. You should be well presented, customer focused, a flexible team member, ideally have experience in a similar role and be computer literate. Previous money handling and reconciling experience would be an advantage.

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Summer Staff required by The Henry Moore Foundation

The Henry Moore Foundation at Perry Green is seeking summer
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Tuesdays - Saturdays

Invigilating Staff for Hoglands (Henry & Irina Moore's home)
**£6.25 per hour Tuesdays - Fridays 10am to 5pm. Saturday
10.30am to 5pm. Start date 19 March 2008**

Additional staff are needed to join our existing team of Invigilators
who assist and supervise visitors in the house and studios. Training
will be given.

Saturdays - Alternate weekends

Invigilating Staff - Start date 29 March
£6.25 per hour 10.30am - 5pm

Invigilators are required to join our teams based in the studios and
galleries to assist the visiting public and ensure the security of the art
work.

Sundays - Alternate weekends

2 Visitors Centre Assistants - Start date 29 March
£6.50 per hour 10.30am - 5.45pm

Two persons are required to run the small Visitor Centre, including
visitors' reception, the shop and tea shop. Training will be given but
previous sales experience an advantage.

Sundays - Alternate weekends

Invigilating Staff - Start date 29 March
£6.25 per hour 10.30am - 5pm

Invigilators are required to join our teams based in the studios and
galleries to assist the visiting public and ensure the security of the art
work.

Applications for Saturday and Sunday Invigilating Staff and
Sunday Visitor Centre Assistants can be accepted for:-

- Both days
- Either day
- Alternate weekends

Full details and application form can be obtained from
www.henry-moore-fdn.co.uk or by ringing 01279 843333.
Applications in writing must be received by 12.30pm 8 February.
Interviews will be held in the week commencing 3 March.
Applications should be sent to: The Visitors' Centre Manager, the
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**Administrative Assistant/Visitors
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The Henry Moore Foundation**

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Salary: £10,000

The contract is for a fixed term: 3 March - 17 October 2008

Hours are Monday - Friday 9.30am - 5.30pm

Own transport is essential

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Closing date: 29th January 2008

Interview date: 1st February 2008.

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Interview date: 27 February 2008.

For an application pack, please contact Early Years and Childcare Service, Broomfield Place, 189 Main Road, Broomfield, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 7EQ. Tel: 01245 512300. Please quote the relevant reference number.

Closing date for both positions: 14 February 2008.

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The closure is scheduled to commence on 14 January 2008 for three weeks or where appropriate signs are showing and weather permitting. The closure is required for the safety of the public and workforce whilst works to accommodate water mains diversion is undertaken.

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Ladies denied by late goal

IT'S IN: Charlotte Byers, left, and Emma Tweddle celebrate a goal against Crostyx (Photo: XDMIMQW2B03)

THE late Crostyx equaliser may have taken the gloss off a much-improved performance, but there were plenty of positives in Saturday's stalemate for Harlow Ladies.

Captain Liezel Hansson's attempt to galvanise the forward line with a new formation clearly paid off as Emma Tweddle and Charlotte Byers created no end of problems for the Crostyx backline from the very start. When Tweddle slotted home the opener from

Harlow 2, Crostyx 2
 (Essex Women's League, premier division)

close range, it seemed that Harlow's day would be a good one. However, the visitors battled back and equalised from a short-corner routine. Tweddle looked to have given Harlow the lead again after 19 minutes when she got on the end of a Jo Green sideline hit that split the defence. Harlow were celebrating as the umpire awarded the goal, only for him to

controversially change his mind following protests from the opposition.

The sides went into the half-time break level with one goal apiece. Tweddle looked to have sewn up the points for the home side when she converted 10 minutes after the interval. A short-corner routine played by Carolyn Rushton found the forward and she unleashed a fine shot from the top of the circle.

But with 15 minutes to

go Hansson sustained a head injury from an opposition stick and went off requiring medical attention.

Harlow regrouped with Tweddle dropping back to sweeper.

With six minutes remaining Crostyx forced a short corner and converted with a mid-air shot from the quick-thinking attacker.

HARLOW LADIES: Rowley, Shearman-Slack, Hansson, Jo Green, Price, Trimble, Steenekamp, Rushton, Amos, Byers, Tweddle, Donaghey.

Hawks are upbeat ahead of key period

HARLOW Hawks will approach this weekend's two key games in good heart after a solid home win over Cambridge Cougars.

The game on Friday was Hawks' first one in more than a month and their victory kept them top of the table.

But the Sportcentre-based team will know that only a win at Barking-based Gintaras on Saturday will guarantee them a place in the quarter-finals of the National Founders Cup.

Hawks then take on Herts League division one joint leaders Ware Jokers at Wodson Park on Sunday evening.

Harlow played well for most of their clash against a Cougars side which contained bigger players than the one that they had faced on the opening day of the season.

Hawks' first points for 2008 were registered by Amit Sharma and Paul Jesson and they were the only home

Harlow Hawks 83, Cambridge Cougars 67
 (Herts Basketball League, div one)

scorers for Hawks for the first five minutes as the teams traded baskets.

Hawks' big men Mark Haddow and Mike Freeman then provided inside scores to keep the Hawks in touch, while Cougars got easy rebounds for a number of scores.

An 11-2 run by Hawks, including back-to-back three-pointers by Shab Niaz, gave the hosts a 27-19 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Jessop started the second quarter with a flurry, picking up the first nine points for Hawks compared to six by Cougars.

The Hawks' defensive intensity increased and Shab Niaz's side did not allow the Cougars the freedom of easy open shots or rebounds. This helped the Essex side to get the fast breaks going and they executed well in the half court set, to get a number of scores as they rotated their bench to maintain their domination.

Hawks' lead at the halfway point was 50-39.

The hosts extended their lead to 26 points after six minutes of the third quarter, while restricting Cougars to four points. But the Cambridge outfit fought back and finished the quarter stronger but still trailed (68-48).

Hawks had a flying start to the final quarter, going on a 9-2 run, but then struggled to trouble the scoreboard until late in the quarter as Cougars enjoyed an 11-0 spree.

Harlow then traded baskets for the last few minutes of the quarter to win by 16 points.

Hawks coach Niaz said: "It was a good win with everyone contributing when they got in the game. However, we have a massive weekend coming up and need to concentrate on what needs to be done for each game."

HARLOW HAWKS: Jessop (18pts), S. Niaz (14), Freeman (11), Haddow (10), Z. Niaz (10), Sharma (8), Spashett (6), Jones (2), Collier (2), McBride (2), Wriht, Burness.

Results

SUNDAY JANUARY 20
Football
Harlow & District League, prem div: Risden Wd v Maypole Ath p/p; Marquis Sports v Parndon Royals p/p.
Div one: Maypole Ath res v Altham Grove p/p; GPCA res v Unique p/p; Harberts 3, Lindsey Street 2; New Town 1, Risden Wd res 1; Old Townmead v Pollards p/p.
Div two: Rhyno 2, A&A 2; Atletico UG v Galaxy p/p; Rouge Lyon res v Barnes p/p; FC Parkside v Pools p/p; Eastwick Lions 2, Marquis Sp res 7.
Div three: Maypole Sp v Brookside p/p; Talento v UG p/p.
Div four: FC Clark 3, Abbey Albion 1; Ashfield Albion 3, Cottingham 3; Langley L v Broadley C p/p; Dynamo 4, FC Flare 1.
Div five: Harberts A 4, Archers Dart 1; Brookside res 5, Stewards Sp 3; Eppaldo v Matching res p/p.
Harlow & District League Plate, prelim rnd: Matching 2, Risden Wd 3 (aet); Sewardstone v Harberts res p/p; Harberts Old Boys 1, Altham Grove res 2.
Essex Junior Trophy, 4th rnd: Broadley Common 1, Maiden 3.

Fixtures

SATURDAY JANUARY 19
Football
Ryman League, prem div: Wealdstone v Harlow Tn.
Essex Senior League: Sawbridgeworth Tn v Concord Rangers.
LFC Insurance Essex Olympian League, snr div one: Potter Street v Stambridge Utd, Roydon v Ongar Tn.
Essex Premier Cup, 4th rnd: Epping v Basildon Tn.
Footprint Bishop's Stortford, Stansted & District League: Birchanger v Alemite Ath, Debden res v North Weald, Loughton v Hatfield Heath, Old Street v White Roding, Pelly House v Potter Street res, Quendon Ath v Sheering.
Div one: Albury v Avondale Rangers, Dunmow Rhodes v Salvation Army, Lower Street v North Weald res, Hatfield Heath res v Thorley Park, Potter Street A v Frontiers, Thaxted Rangers res v Heath Rovers.

Rugby
London & SE League, div three north east: Harlow v Norwich.
Essex League, div one: Dagenham v Upper Clapton.

Hockey
NE14 East Men's League, div four south east: Harlow v Maldon & Little Baddow.
Essex Women's League, prem div: Maldon & Little Baddow v Harlow Ladies.

SUNDAY JANUARY 20
Football
Harlow & District League, div one: Harberts v Old Townmead.
Div two: Eastwick Lions v FC Parkside, Rouge Lyon res v Pools Ath, Marquis Sports res v A and A.
Div four: Harberts A v Broadley Common, Cottingham v FC Flare.
Harlow & District League Cup, 2nd rnd: Old Tn Ath v Marquis Sport.
Harlow & District League Cup, 3rd rnd: Maiden FC v Maypole Ath res, Parndon Royals v Barnes Ath, Abbey Albion v Rhyno Ath, Gt Parndon CA v Gt Parndon CA res, Lindsey Street v Altham Grove, Ashfield Albion v Brookside Ath, Rouge Lyon v Risden Wd.
Harlow & District League Plate, 1st rnd: Dynamo v UG, FC Clark v Rouge Lyon, Archers Dart v Brookside res, Altham Grove res v Harberts A, Eppaldo v Risden Wd A.
Harlow & District League Plate, prelim rnd: Sewardstone v Harberts res.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 23
Capital League: Leighton Tn res v Harlow Tn res.

Wembley Stadium visit a treat for Paringdon

A TOUR of the new Wembley Stadium proved a treat for young footballers from *Harlow Star* Youth Community League side FC Paringdon.

The U-10 team got to try on some of the shirts of the famous players who have starred at the sporting Mecca in years gone by – and lift the FA Cup.

The youngsters also visited the press room, the royal suite and the engraver's room.

“We got to see where the players arrive and the Bobby Moore statue – as well as getting to walk through the tunnel out onto the stadium. The boys had a great time,” said a club spokeswoman.

Most of Sunday's youth football was wiped out due to the wet weather.

KILN RANGERS picked up an excellent 3-0 victory at HARLOW TOWN COLTS in the U-10 silver division.

On target were Ryan Truman and Ben Spires, while Daniel Parish grabbed his first goal for Rangers.



WEMBLEY TREAT: Players from FC Paringdon at Wembley (s)

In the U-11 division, The Link-based WARE FC triumphed 3-1 at home to SATURN. Finding the net were Ashley Winders, Tommy Smithson and Frankie Branch.

Other results:-

U-12s: Connaught Rangers 1, Harlow Tn 6.

U-11s: Mark Hall Yth 1, Harlow Tn 4.

U-10s gold division: Mark Hall Yth 8, Risden Wd 0.

U-10s silver division: Harlow Tn Colts 0, Kiln Rangers 3; Harlow Tn White 3, Bishop's Stortford Colts 0.

U-9s: Elsenham Yth 2, Harlow Tn White 1; Harlow Tn Red 0, Langley Colts Trojans 0.

U-7s/U-8s: Elsenham Yth U-8 3, Harlow Tn U-7 Reds 4.

All other matches in the *Harlow Star* Youth Community League were postponed due to waterlogged pitches.

Slick City too good for Hawks

Harlow Tn 0, Chelmsford City 2
(Ryman League, premier division)

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RYAN Kirby's Hawks side matched table-topping Chelmsford City for effort but were undone by that extra bit of quality in attack at Barrows Farm on Saturday.

A goal in each half was enough to ensure the premier division leaders completed the double over Harlow Town in this A414 derby, watched by a bumper crowd of 734.

The visitors were clinical in attack, while Harlow desperately missed striker Raphael Sylvester – called up to the Leyton Orient squad for the trip to Nottingham Forest in League One.

Sylvester's pace would undoubtedly have troubled the Chelmsford back line.

The match only went ahead due to some fantastic work from ground staff and Hawks fans, who worked on the heavily waterlogged pitch right up until kick-off.

The hosts started well and had the ball in the net on 10 minutes when Shaun Glidden's great delivery from the left was flicked on by James Bunn to Beckett Hollenbach who stabbed it in from a marginal offside position.

Chelmsford broke the deadlock on 35 minutes. Leon Lalite lost the ball near the centre circle and the visitors quickly broke with Oliver Berquez finding James Lawson, whose powerful 15-yard effort flew into the bottom right corner.

Harlow could have gone in level but City's ex-Bishop's Stortford keeper Danny Gay made an excellent block from Hawks skipper James Bunn's point-blank volley on 39 minutes after Lalite's corner was flicked on by Hollenbach.

Hawks keeper James Hasell made a fine block to deny Ricky Holmes on 50 minutes.

Harlow struggled to create any clear-cut chances in the second period and Dean Williams cut an isolated figure, particularly after Bunn was forced off midway through with a hamstringing injury.



BECKS FACTOR: Hawks defender Beckett Hollenbach holds off Clarets striker Bertie Brayley as player-boss Ryan Kirby looks on

Photo: Steve Weemes (HVVQV92D03)

Chelmsford grabbed a deserved second on 71 minutes when statuesque defending allowed Stuart Ainsley to drill in low from the edge of the box.

Hasell denied Lawson before Chelmsford striker Bertie Brayley somehow missed an open goal from 3ft on 75 minutes.

Curley had a great chance to half the deficit on 89 minutes but his header was deflected over the bar from six yards.

Player-boss Kirby told *Star Sport*: “When you play the better teams, if you keep making

mistakes or give the ball away they will hurt you.

“I don't think we played that well. Our passing was poor and we gave it away too cheaply.

“We gave them too much respect. For most teams that will be their cup final and I don't believe we treated it the same way.”

HARLOW TN: Hasell 7, Davis 7, S. Glidden 7 (Green 62), Hollenbach 8, KIRBY 8, Miles 5, Lalite 4 (Curley 45, 5), Hill 7, Bunn 7 (Akers 55, 6), Lee 7, Williams 4. Subs not used: Fowler, Dumoulin (gk). Att: 734.

Tables

HARLOW & DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE					
Up to & incl Sun Jan 13					
Premier Division					
	P	W	D	L	Pt
Great Parndon CA FC.....	10	7	0	3	21
Parndon Royals.....	8	4	3	1	15
Old Town Athletic.....	9	3	2	4	11
Rouge Lyon.....	8	3	2	3	11
Maypole Athletic.....	8	1	4	3	7
Marquis Sport.....	6	1	3	2	6
Risden Wood.....	7	1	2	4	5
Division One					
Lindsey Street.....	12	10	0	2	30
Harberts FC.....	10	7	1	2	22
Maypole Athletic Res.....	10	5	2	3	17
Risden Wood Res.....	10	5	2	3	17
New Town Rangers.....	13	3	2	8	11
Old Townmead FC.....	7	3	1	3	10
Pollard.....	8	3	0	5	9
Gt Parndon CA Res FC....	7	3	0	4	9
Altham Grove FC.....	10	2	2	6	8
Unique.....	9	1	2	6	5
Division Two					
FC Parkside.....	10	10	0	0	30
Atletico UG FC.....	11	7	0	4	21
Pools Athletic.....	7	6	0	1	18
Rhyno Athletic.....	11	5	1	5	16
Marquis Sport Res.....	9	5	0	6	15
Galaxy FC.....	9	5	0	4	15
Barnes Athletic FC.....	10	4	0	6	12
Rouge Lyon Res.....	9	4	0	5	12
A and A.....	13	2	1	10	7
Eastwick Lions FC.....	11	2	0	9	6
Division Three					
Brookside Athletic FC.....	9	8	0	1	24
Latton Orient.....	12	7	1	4	22
Risden Wood 'A'.....	7	5	1	1	16
Matching Utd.....	11	5	1	5	16
Maiden FC.....	8	5	0	3	15
UG United FC.....	8	4	1	3	13
Maypole Sports.....	10	2	4	4	10
St Germaine.....	9	3	1	5	10
Harberts Res.....	11	3	0	8	9
Talento.....	9	0	1	8	1
Division Four					
Dynamo FC.....	11	9	1	1	28
Abbey Albion FC.....	11	6	2	3	20
Harberts 'A'.....	9	6	1	2	19
FC Clark.....	9	6	0	3	18
FC Flare.....	8	5	0	3	15
Broadley Common FC.....	6	3	1	2	10
Sewardstone Rovers.....	8	3	0	5	9
Langley Legends.....	8	2	0	6	6
Cottingham FC.....	9	0	2	7	2
Ashfield Albion FC.....	9	0	1	8	1
Sharks (WITHDRAWN)....	0	0	0	0	0
Division Five					
Epping Athletic FC.....	10	10	0	0	30
Eppaldo FC.....	9	7	0	2	21
Harberts OB A FC.....	10	7	1	2	19
Matching Utd Res.....	10	6	0	4	18
Brookside Athletic Res FC	12	5	1	6	16
Rouge Lyon 'A' FC.....	8	3	0	5	9
Altham Grove Res FC.....	8	3	0	5	9
Archers Dart FC.....	9	2	0	7	6
Stewards Spartans.....	12	0	0	12	3

Frontiers clinch first victory

FRONTIERS continued their recent revival with a 3-0 victory over Albury in division one of the Footprint Bishop's Stortford, Stansted & District League.

It was a first league win of the season for the Harlow-based side, who were only just beaten by table-topping Salvation Army last week.

Patrick Nkrumah, Dave Pollard and Darren Mitchell struck for the hosts.

Dunmow Rhodes triumphed 4-3 in a thriller against Thaxted Rangers reserves. On target for the home side were Dean Tomlinson, Oliver Hayes, Greg Haynes and James Fitter.

Heath Rovers picked up an impressive 2-1 victory over second-placed North Weald reserves. Keiran Morgan found the net, while Rovers' tally was boosted by an own goal.

In the premier division, Old Street lost more ground on the leaders with a 2-2 home draw against Debden reserves. D. Ward and L. Trevell struck for the hosts.

At the bottom, Potter Street reserves moved level with Birchanger on points after beating the Bishop's Stortford team 1-0. Andy Simmons grabbed the only goal.

All other matches were postponed due to waterlogged pitches.

New name and home for darts side

DARTS team GPCA Servopoint have changed their name to coincide with a move to Harlow Town FC.

The Harlow & District League team will now be known as the Servo Hawks.

League official Graham Tanner said: "I am sure it will be one of the best venues in town with ample playing and spectator areas."

In league action, White Admiral had the chance to catch the Hawks, but were held to a 4-4 draw by Swift Half's.

During the match Andy Booth (White Admiral) recorded a 148 finish. He also scored a maximum 180 in a knockout match.

Elsewhere, Young Pretenders turned over CC Whites 6-2 to move into third.

The youngest of the Young Pretenders was 10-year-old Reece Barnett, who shot out in two legs thanks to Whites' inability to finish.

Moot House lost out 6-2 to UG Social, while Swift Arrows went down 5-3 to CC Foxes.

Colt Hatch SC got the better of Moot House Arrows 5-3, with Arrows' Damian Green notching his third 180 of the season.

Servo Hawks, who were not in action, lead the league by three points at the halfway stage.

In Knockout Cup matches, there were out shots of 132 for Mick McNally (Colt Hatch SC), 115 for Damian Green (Moot House Arrows) and 107 for Gary Barnett (Young Pretenders).

Knockout Cup results: Colt Hatch 1, Servo Hawks 5; CC Whites 5, CC Foxes 0; Swift Half's 1, White Admiral 5; Young Pretenders 5, MH Arrows 0.

Chairman's first in Last trophy

FIFTEEN members of Harlow's Stort Valley Angling Society competed in the Last Chance Trophy on the river Nene in March, Cambridgeshire.

With an excellent mixed bag of 22lbs 12ozs, caught using pole tactics, chairman Mick Westby was victorious.

Second and third spots were filled by Steve Turnbull and Bobby Groom, with 7lbs 6ozs and 6lbs 10ozs, respectively.

The club's final match of the year, the annual Fur 'n' Feather match took place at the Town Park on the river Stort.

The bitterly cold day did not deter the 22 members who attended.

The top four anglers shared some good chub sport with almost 20lbs caught between them.

Ross Deadman took the trophy with 7lbs 9ozs with Steve Turnbull in second place netting 4lbs 8ozs. Tony Henson was third.

Marleen's a marvel

MARLEEN Avontuur finished in the top half of the field when she came 12th in the final U-13 girls race of the Essex Country League at Hylands Park in Chelmsford on Saturday.

The Harlow Athletic Club member completed the 3,300m course in 14 mins 2 secs, ahead of club colleague Isobel Moss (30th, 16.32).

In the boys U-13 race, Nathan Calver came 21st in 13.32.

Marleen and Isobel are ranked 11th and 24th respectively in Essex.

Wet weekend

THE wet weather put paid to Sawbridgeworth Town's home match against Southend Manor in the Essex Senior Football League on Saturday.

In the Essex Olympian League senior division one, Roydon lost 3-0 at Old Chelmsfordians.

Depleted U-17s suffer heavy home defeat

A WEAKENED Harlow U-17's side played poorly as they slipped to a home 31-0 defeat at the hands of Woodford.

The Rams, missing four key players, were second best in most aspects of the game.

Woodford dominated the first half, scoring three tries and two conversions to go 19-0 up by the break.

Although the hosts improved in the second half they could not prevent two more tries being scored by the visitors. One was converted.

Youth rugby round-up

Despite the result, wings Sean O'Donovan and Andy Huckle shone with some excellent tackling and non-stop running. Flanker Mike Blair also worked extremely hard in the loose.

Harlow U-17s: Drake, O'Donovan, Whittaker, Poon, Huckle, Alderman, Ellis, Lewis, Potter, Newman, Tovey, Keene, Blair, Shawe, Adams.

Harlow U-16's lost 26-0 at home to Saffron Walden.

The hosts enjoyed plenty of possession in the first half but it was Walden who led 7-0 at half-time.

Debutant Harlow centre Chris Turner tackled excellently and Danny Smith almost scored a try for the Rams before Walden scored three second-half tries.

Harlow U-13's played well but still lost 12-5 at home to a well-drilled Westcliff side.

The hosts went ahead when flanker Jack Boswell-Banks took a tap penalty from 10 metres out and crashed over for

an unconverted try in the corner.

The second half saw Westcliff continue to press and the Junior Rams defended desperately but after 15 minutes the visitors got through and levelled the scores with an unconverted try.

Harlow worked their way into the Westcliff half but were soon on the defensive again and with five minutes left the visitors scored another try which was converted.

Debutant flanker Matt Smith did well in his first game for the club.

Rams must stop paying for penalties

THEY may have only just beaten Romford & Gidea Park but the Rams could take positives from this Essex Intermediate Cup second round match as they prepare for the home league match against Norwich.

One area Harlow will need to work on prior to the Norwich clash in two days' time, is the way they keep giving away silly penalties.

This ensured last Saturday's cup tie was much closer than it should have been.

Harlow unveiled new signing blindside flanker Hans Barnard against Romford. The South African played for Blackheath's development team earlier this season and he showed he was a very good ball carrier.

The positional changes worked well with prop Paul Prindiville filling the hooker role and full-back James McFerran shining at outside centre. He tackled his opposite number hard to upset the visi-

Harlow 22, Romford & Gidea Park 21 (Essex Intermediate Cup, 2nd rnd)

tors' attacking moves.

A 150-strong crowd saw Romford take a 6-0 lead in the first 15 minutes through two penalties.

Stung, Harlow reduced the lead to a point on 18 minutes.

A four-player move started with skipper Nick Ford and ended with Simon Vanbeck taking the ball at full pace. He was just too fast for the visitors' defence and ran in an unconverted try.

Harlow's grip on the tie was strengthened with two tries either side of the break.

A line-out resulted in a rolling maul and there was a strong drive which culminated in Scott Romaine touching down an unconverted try.

A good breakaway move by the backs set up Vanbeck to dash in for his second try which Ford converted to put Harlow 17-6 ahead.

Romford resisted strong pressure before a good drive by the

visitors' pack allowed their number eight to force his way over for a try on 55 minutes.

John Davies converted before Harlow bounced back with a try three minutes later.

A rolling maul from a line-out set up Prindiville to score and Harlow led 22-13.

However, the fluctuating nature of the match saw Romford come back into contention with scores on 62 and 68 minutes.

A backs move led to a good try by the Romford scrum-half before a penalty put Romford one point behind.

Harlow resisted strong pressure for 10 minutes and did enough to clinch a semi-final spot.

Rams skipper Ford said: "I would give us six out of 10 and we would have sealed it earlier if I had kicked better [at goal]. We defended near our line well but gave away penalties."

HARLOW: Banks, Vanbeck, McFerran, Stradling (F. Brown 40), Grimley, Ford, Harron, Lane (Ephgrave 50), Prindiville, G. Brown, Snow, Eynon (Hawkins 55), Barnard, Romaine, Claridge.



WARNING: Rams skipper Nick Ford, seen here in action against Romford on Saturday, says his side are giving away too many penalties (Photo: Dave Sharp)



ON THE CHARGE: Aled Hills storms forward for Harlow (Photo: FMBKJ29P-15)

Neighbours knock out Colts

HARLOW were unlucky with some refereeing decisions but they could have no complaints after being knocked of the national Plate competition by Bishop's Stortford.

Both sides dropped passes in sticky conditions at Silver Leys on Sunday, but Stortford's overall superiority was more important in the outcome than the referee's harsh interpretation of the Rams' rucking techniques – the official awarded one try incorrectly. Stortford went ahead from a sixth-minute James Rea penalty.

Harlow's Aled Hills fluffed a penalty and then Rea narrowly missed a more difficult one before the hosts' lead was increased on 17 minutes.

Home fly-half Jack Coleman miscued a kick but retrieved a ball which went out to Ben de Grandis, who burst through the Rams defence to score an unconverted try.

Rea kicked a further penalty on 28 minutes to put Stortford 11-0 up.

Shortly after, Hills picked up a loose ball and charged towards the home line but was stopped five yards short.

Bishop's Stortford 33, Harlow 0

(English Club Colts Plate, London north round 3c)

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Early in the second half, Matt Chambers scored a try after an initial break from Joe Foster was halted.

De Grandis was fortunate on 53 minutes when the ref failed to spot his knock on and he dashed over for a try.

Two late tries were scored by the hosts after the ball was kept alive for more than one phase of play. Substitute Charlie Bass touched down and Rea converted before de Grandis completed his hat-trick in style.

Tony Hills, one of the Harlow coaches, said: "We did well against the wind in the first half but lost our discipline in the second half."

HARLOW: Goodey, Perry, Bowering, Adams, Hockley, Hills (Blackwell 60), Woodington, Mahmood, Mortimer (Davies 35), Carter (Cunningham 65), Clark, Dagleish, Ashcroft (Jarvis 35), King, Elston.

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BATTS hosts Essex champs

DAVE Wright was the stand-out local player when the Harlow-based BATTS table tennis club hosted the Essex County Championships at the weekend.

The 56-year-old, who has lived in the town all his life, won the restricted singles event at the Norman Booth Leisure Centre in Old Harlow.

He clinched the title by beating the experienced Paul Martindill in a gripping final 11-6, 11-8, 11-9.

Harlow League players John Monk and Reuben Okai played superbly to reach the over-40 doubles final, losing narrowly in five sets.

The main men's singles event was won by BATTS (Booth Academy Table Tennis School) member John Holland.

One of the youngest competitors was Harlow's 11-year-old Liam Williams, who has only been playing for around a year.

Harlow's Martin Kubrt (29),



(LC9J97WK01)

the defending champion, went down in the quarter-final to his BATTS club-mate Billy Deville 11-9, 11-8, 11-8 in the singles.

Neil Brierley, BATTS secretary, said: "Harlow players put in a fine effort in the face of some very strong county competition."

"Pride of place definitely goes to Dave Wright."

Some 120 players from all over the county took part.

The club will go one better next weekend when it hosts a

series of British League Premier Division matches.

A galaxy of national and international stars, including top Chinese players, will be in Harlow for the big occasion (admission is free). Play starts at 11am on Saturday.

HAVING A BALL:

Defending champion Martin Kubrt (LC9J97WK02) and, above, action from Saturday's Essex County Championships

A striker on the horizon

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 Up to & incl Sat Jan 12

	P	W	D	L	Pt
Chelmsford City	25	16	5	4	53
Hendon	27	13	8	6	47
AFC Wimbledon	22	12	6	4	42
Staines Tn	21	11	6	4	39
Ramsgate	24	11	6	7	39
AFC Hornchurch	23	10	5	8	35
Margate	25	9	8	8	35
Harrow Boro	26	10	5	11	35
Horsham	19	11	1	7	34
Maldstone Utd	25	10	3	12	33
Ashford Tn (Midx)	24	9	4	11	31
Boreham Wood	25	9	4	12	31
Carshalton Ath	23	9	4	10	31
Billerica Tn	23	8	6	9	30
Heybridge Swifts	25	7	9	9	30
HARLOW TN	24	7	8	9	29
Wealdstone	23	8	5	10	29
E. Thurrock Utd	24	8	5	11	29
Folkestone Invicta	23	8	4	11	28
Tonbridge Angels	23	6	8	9	26
Hastings Utd	25	6	7	12	25
Leyton	25	4	3	18	15



RYAN Kirby is hoping he can replenish Harlow Town's strike force for his side's 'six-pointer' against Wealdstone, writes DAVID RIMMER.

Skipper James Bunn is ruled out of Saturday's clash at Northwood FC after sustaining a hamstring injury in the 2-0 home defeat against Chelmsford City five days ago.

Young striker Raphael Sylvester could once again be required by Leyton Orient.

Hawks player-boss Kirby said: "Tom Cunningham [Harlow's director of football] is making enquiries [about a striker]."

"Conference clubs may have lads who need

games and the same thing applies with league clubs."

If another striker cannot be found, Kirby is likely to push midfielder David Lee up front to partner Dean Williams.

Defender Beckett Hollenbach (ankle) should recover in time for Saturday's match. Kirby added: "He had a knock on it. I am confident he will be available for Saturday."

The Hawks are a place ahead of The Stones. Only goal difference separates the two clubs, who drew 1-1 when they met at a wet Barrows Farm in November.

Four sides are relegated from the divi-

sion this season. Kirby's side need points but he is not underestimating the task facing his team at Wealdstone, who knocked Harlow's neighbours Bishop's Cleeve out of the FA Cup earlier this season.

Kirby said: "It's a difficult ground and it's a big job. We have got to be resolute at the back and we have got to be so determined not to let them score."

He added: "It's important that we get some points and get away from where we are. We have to look at what is below. No game is easy."

Wing-back Mark Taylor is suspended.

Harlow's scheduled home game against Horsham on Tuesday was postponed due to a waterlogged pitch at Barrows Farm. This has now been rearranged for Tuesday March 4.



INJURED: Hawks skipper James Bunn